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TRANSCRIPT

Augustus Lawrence.
Journal of a voyage to the South Pacific
in the ship Milton of New Bedford

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1st Mate	Robert J Conolly	"	Burlington Vt.		1
2nd "	Augustus Lawrence	"	Falmouth Mass.		2
3rd "	Joseph Nicholas	"	Flores, western Islands		3
4th "	Manuel Viera	"	St George " "		4
Cooper	Robert Gibbe	"	England		5
Boatstrs	Joseph Chase	"	New Bedford		6
Boatstrs	Albins Roderigue	"	Brava C.V.I.		7
Boatstrs	Manuel Silva	"	Mayo C.V.I.		8
Boatstrs	Juan Pina	"	Brava C.V.I.		9
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Steward	Manuel Silva	"	Brava C.V.I.		11
Cook	James McKenzie				12
Foremasthands	Manuel Batista		Brava C.V.I.		13
Foremasthands	John Gomes		Fogo C.V.I.		14
Foremasthands	Edward Fitzgerald				15
Foremasthands	Sebastian Pas		Fogo		16
Foremasthands	Juan Ferrera		Fayal, W.I.		17
Foremasthands	Henrique Fishera		Fogo		18
Foremasthands	Jose Silva		Fayal		19
Foremasthands	Antoine Silva, (Prusshine)		Fogo		20
Foremasthands	Josino Perez	"			21
Foremasthands	Manuel Pena(.Jack Smoke)	"			22
Foremasthands	Manuel Pena, (Faustine)	"			23
Foremasthands	Severino Lobo . (Green)	"			24
Foremasthands	Solomon Gomes (Sullivan)		Fogo		25
Foremasthands	Manuel Rosa		Fayal,		26
Foremasthands	Severino Lomba		Fogo		27
Foremasthands	Jules Perez	"			28
Foremasthands	Josino Perez				29
Foremasthands	Paul Joaquin		Fayal		30
Foremasthands	Catano de Pinna		Fogo		31
Foremasthands	Manuel Miguel Lopes				32
Foremasthands	Jose Lopes				33
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Discharged at Russell June 1887

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Ran away and was caught and put in forecastle, June 1887

Discharged at Russell B.O.I. N.Z. 1888

		Men shipped on the voyage
1877		at Norfolk Island
Feb		Joseph (Quintal) .boat header for 2 Months.
"		Christian McCay foremasthand
"		John Adams "
"		Fred Yuger boatsteerer
		At Russell
June		William Cook 4th mate
Left		At Norfolk Island Hudson Evans, boatsteerer
1888		
June		At Russell, shipped Hassam Bey, Arab
"		Edward Prior

Shipped at Russell June 1887 Andrew Hafner
" " " " " William _____

Discharged April 1877
Discharged at Russel March 1889
Deserted at Norfolk Island Sept 1888
Staid ashore at Norfolk Island September 1887

Discharged March 1889
Discharged January 1888

Discharged at Russel March 1889

Cooper, a native of Germany, discharged March 1889

Cook England " " "

Journal of a whaling voyage in the ship
 Milton of New Bedford. Kept by the undersigned
 Augustus Lawrence

June

- 9 Tuesday Took our anchor at 10 A. M. and was towed out by the tug Nellie. She dropped us off the Sow and Pigs light boat. quite a large company sailed out in the ship and after eating lunch on board, returned to the shore in the Nellie
- 10 Wednesday, Commenced with strong breeze from the westward, the pilot left about 1 P M and we shaped our course SSE under all sail at sunset land was out of sight astern latter part breeze light from SW. to NW commenced, rigging the boat & etc
- 11 Thursday Lat 40° - 8'N Long 69° 42' W
 Light winds through the day. From SE to SW. stood on both tacks. Boats are ready for whales when we see them. Did sundry odd jobs incident to the first week a whaling voyage stood mastheads, saw square head grampuses
- 12 Friday Lat 39° 30' N Long 68° 27' W. Light breeze from SSE ship on port tack all day. all hands at work, one sail, a brig in sight
- 13 Saturday. Lat 39° 05' N Long 67° 19' W.
- 14 Sunday Lat 38° 17' N Long 67° 10' W.
- 15 Monday Lat 38° 20' N Long 64° 43' W
 Chose boat crews. steering to the SE wind W.
- 16 Tuesday. Lat 37° 30' N Long 60° 06' W.
 Light hazy weather from the westward. course S. E.
- 19 Friday Lat 36° 03' N Long 55° 32' W.
 Light breezes from the south steering E by S. in the day watch lowered the boats to exercise crews
- 24 Wednesday Lat 36° 50' N Long 45° 50' W.
 Splendid weather. Steering to the eastward. Everything ready for whales. saw humpbacks in the _____
- 26 Friday Lat 36° 00' N Long 42° 15' W.
 Weather fine from S W, engaged in breaking out stores
- 28 Sunday Lat 36° 40' N Long 41° 30' W.
 Fine weather. wind S. Ship on starboard tack at 5 1/2 P M saw spouts on weather bow, saw them one rising did not find out what they were

June

30 Tuesday Lat 39° 00' N Long 39° 30 W
Strong breeze with occasional squalls from S E
ship on starboard tack, saw finbacks

July 1 Wednesday. strong breeze from S.S.E squally
ship on starboard tack until 7 A.M. after-
ward on port tack, Lat 39° 54' N Long 38° 24' W

2 Thursday Lat 40° 03' N Long 38° 20' W.
First part strong breeze from S.S.E
latter part half a gale from S. raining
ship on port tack all day

3 Friday, Early part half a gale, from the S.
moderate during the night with fog, latter
part blowing a gale from the east. Ship on
the starboard tack, a small vessel in sight
to windward that looks like a sloop

4 Saturday. First part strong, latter part light
no observation, no celebration

5 Sunday, Light breezes from all
quarters, with fog squalls

6 Monday. Lat 39° 10' N Long 38° 43' W.
Fair weather during P. M. Wind W, ship on
port tack, middle part strong breeze from
N with light rain ship on starboard tack
latter part. steered S.W. at 1 1/2 P M
caught a loggerhead turtle, good eating.

7 Tuesday. Lat 38° 34' N Long 39° 03' W
Fine weather. wind N E. first part steered
S W. Middle part, on starboard tack
latter part steered W.SW

8 Wednesday, Lat 37° 50' N Long 40° 12' W

9 Thursday. early part fine weather from
SW. breezed on to a moderate gale from
W. In latter part, ship on port tack all day
at 1/2 hour P M. Picked up a piece of yellow
pine timber, 40 ft long 14 inches square

[timber drawing]

11 Saturday Lat 37° 30' N Long 40° 51' W.
Wind from eastward, steered S S W during
day light

12 Sunday Lat 36° 25' N, Long 40° 40' W
Weather fine. wind light from the eastward
steered SSW. in afternoon. by the wind
on port tack, the remainder of the time

Western Ground
1885

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July

13 Monday Lat 35° 25' N Long 40° 03' W
Light winds from E to SW. ship on port tack
grampuses quite numerous

14 Tuesday Lat 35° 00' N Long 39° 38' W
Light breeze from the eastward

15 Wednesday Lat 35° 08N Long 39° 15' W
Light airs from all quarters. Lowered
the boats in the day watch to exercise crews

16 Thursday Lat 35° 22' N Long 38° 56' W
Continued light winds from S. To E

17 Friday Lat 35° 55' N Long 38° 06' W
Light airs from the S

18 Saturday Lat 36° 20' N Long 37° 30' W

19 Sunday Lat 36° 45' N Long 37° 00' W
Early part light wind from S. Middle
and latter part strong from S W.
ship on starboard tack all day

21 Tuesday Lat 36° 40' N Long 35° 27' W

22 Wednesday Lat 37° 30' N Long 35° 16' W.
Wind from W & S W. Early part fine weather
steaming N N E. Middle and latter part strong
by the wind on port tack, . At 12M.
saw a large can buoy adrift, at 6 1/2 P M.
caught two porpoises. At 5 A M. The iron
ship Invercargill of Glasgow passed
steaming N E

24 Friday Lat 38° 18' N Long 36° 22' W
Strong squally weather from W and S W
ship on port tack

28 Tuesday Lat 38° 50' N Long 35° 35' W
Wind from W. fine weather. early part steer-
ed S E. Middle part on starboard tack
Latter part steered E by S.

[sketch of
Mast & sail
Layout]

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1885

Western Ground

July

29

Wednesday Lat 38° 50' N Long 34° 16' W

Fine weather wind W. afternoon and forenoon
steered E S E. at night starboard tack short sail

30

Thursday Lat 38° 58' N Long 33° 00' W

Fine weather from the W. Plenty of
square head grampuses seen today

31

Friday. Fine weather from the W.

went on board bark Tamerlane

[sketch of
3 mast vessel]

Capt Macomber. 14 Mos out

400 barrels sperm oil. went on board
at two P M and staid until 10 P M.

Ship Milton working East

August

1

Saturday Lat 38° 56' N Long 32° 38' W

Light wind from W. Steered E by S. By

[sketch of
fish]

daylight. at night on starboard tack

after dinner saw an old spar surrounded
with fish of seven kinds, caught a
great many, and many staid by the ship

2

Sunday Lat 38° 55' N Long 32° 43' W.

[sketch of
island]

Fine weather. the island of Roses in sight

bearing E by N distant about 35 miles

Wind from the S.W. ship running E by daylight

6

[stamp of
bullock]

Thursday. Have been in sight of Flores and

Corvo since Sunday. Yesterday, the Capt.

and his Lady, went on shore at the town of

Lages, in Flores and staid 24 hours

bought 50 bushels of potatoes, and a lot of

onions and one half grown bullock

potatoes, 60 cents bushel. The third mate , a

native of the island deserted, and the

captain brought off a boy to serve as cabin boy

7

Friday, Cleared from Flores this P M. At, 4 o'clock

steered of to the S with a light breeze from

N W.

About the Western Islands

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August		
	8	Saturday. First part, strong breeze from W. middle and latter parts blowing a moderate gale
	9	Sunday. Wind died away and ,howled in the middle part more to the northward, latter part wind light from the N. steered, S. at 11 A M, saw Blackfish
	11	Tuesday. Lat 38° 05' N Long 29° 43' W. Fine weather, wind E N E Pico bears E.S.E dist 60 miles
[sketch of whales tale]		
	13	Thursday Lat 38° 27' N Long 30° 16' W. Strong squally weather from W. ship on port tack ends with fine weather one whaling schooner in sight
	14	Friday. Gammed schooner Charles Morse
[sketch of schooner]		Capt Higgins at 6 P M. At 11 1/2 A M. passed a dead killer. weather fine wind West
	19	Wednesday Lat 36° 30' N Long 28° 16' W. Since the last entry in journal have been cruising south of Pico and Fayal. the weather for the most part has been good. have kept the land from 50 to a 100 miles distant - Today commenced with a strong breeze from the W. and ended with a light breeze from same quarter with rain from 3 A M. to 7 A M. ship on port tack
	21	Friday Lat 37° 15' N Long 28° 58' W. Light wind from W. with a heavy swell without any apparent cause
	23	Sunday . First part light squally weather from S W. middle and latter parts, strong breeze from W. and N W. lowered for Blackfish at 2 P M. no fish
[sketch of whales tail]		
	28	Friday . Early part strong breeze from N W. air very hazy, bad seeing, latter part wind lighter, and howling to the N. ship in both tacks
	29	Saturday Lat 36° 37' N Long 29° 06' W

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Ship Milton toward the line.

September

1

Tuesday. Off and on Fayal. Captain went on shore at 2 P M. and the ship stood out to the N and W. of the island for the night. latter part clear, wind from N E. off the town receiving recruits of potatoes, onions, pumpkins & etc

4

Friday. Strong breeze from W. off and on the island until 3 P M. when the captain came on board and we stood out to the N W of the island. Just before dark saw what we supposed were sperm whales, close in to the land N W side

5

[whale stamp]

Saturday. Strong breeze from N W. veering to the north in latter part ship on port tack until 6 A M. after which we steered S S W. At 1 P M. raised a school of small sperm whales, on ships lee beam, coming quick to windward. before we could make out what they were and get the boats ready they had got by the ship to windward at 1 1/2 P M lowered larboard and waist boats and pulled to windward. at 2 1/2 P.M. boats came onboard. Fayal and Pico in sight during P M. bearing E S. E 30 miles

6

Sunday. Lat 37° 20' N Long 29° 08' W. Moderate breeze from N the entire day steering South by West

8

Tuesday Lat 33 30' N Long 28° 24' W. Strong E wind all day, steering S by W.

9

Wednesday L 31° 30' N Long 27° 56' W. Strong E wind , steering S by W.

10

Thursday Lat 29° 43' N Long 27° 45' W. Fine breeze from E steering S 1/2 W.

11

Friday Lat 27° 48' N Long 27° 20' W. Fresh N E trades, steering S. 4 sails seen in A.M.

Toward the Equator

September 12 Saturday Lat 25° 40' N. Long 26° 27' W
Continued fresh trades and pleasant weather, steering S by W, two sails seen P.M

13 Sunday Lat 23° 13' N. Long 25° 55' W
Steering S by W

14 Monday. Lat 20° 35' N Long 25° 36' W.
Steering S by W. and S S W.

15 Tuesday Lat 17° 53' N Long 25° 50' W.
Steering S by W until 4 P M. then luffed to the wind on port tack. heading S S E at 6 1/2 P M wore around and stood on the starboard tack until .7. A M. after that stood on port tack. for the remainder of day

16 Wednesday Lat 17° 32' N Long 25° 55' W.
Strong trades. stood on both tacks.

17 Thursday . String trade wind . stood on port tack until 3 P M. . after that steered S by W
[sketch of island] saw the island of St Anthony to the eastward of us in the latter part of the day

18 Friday Lat 15° 19' N Long 25° 16' W
[sketch of island] Fresh breeze . steering toward the S E the islands Brava and Fogo in sight this A M

19 Saturday . Brava and Fogo in sight P M.
bearing N and E . distant about 40 miles.
Steering S E. during the 24 hours with a light trade wind

20 Sunday Lat 13° 45' N Long 23° 34' W
[sketch of whale tail] Light trades, steering S. E. at 7 A M lowered for Blackfish and chased until 11 1/2 A.M.

21 Monday Continued light wind . steering S E by S.
Lat 13° 15' N Long 22° 40' W

22 Tuesday . Lat 12° 12' N Long 21° 30' W. Light breeze from N veering to the E in latter part at 7 A M. commenced a general setting up rigging

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Toward the line

Wednesday 11° 00' N Long 21° 08' W
Very light doldrums

Friday Lat 10° 30' N Long 21° 03' W
Light showery weather, lowered for blackfish
at 4 1/2 P M. caught 1 to larboard boat
put on board at 7 P M

Saturday Lat 9° 05' N Long 21° 18' W
Light baffling winds with occasional
showers. steering S S W. when wind will
allow tried out the blackfish, made 1 barrel of oil

Monday Lat 8° 28' N. Long 21° 15' W.
Very light southerly wind, dead ahead.

Tuesday Lat Continued light south wind
At 9 1/2 A M. lowered for blackfish. bow
boat caught two

Wednesday. Light westerly wind, steering S W 1/2 S

Thursday Light variable winds. At 2 1/2 P M
lowered for blackfish, one each for the
board, and starboard. boats. at 6 1/2 A M
lowered again without catching any.
Commenced trying out 7 A M

Friday Lat 6° 30' N Long 20° 23' W.
Fresh breeze from the S. ship on both tacks
during the day. finished boiling 3 P M. 3 1/2 bbls oil

Saturday Lat 6° 00' N Long 19° 40' W.
Light airs from southward and westward
with rain part of A M. at 10 1/2 A M.
lowered one boat for blackfish, no success
Steering S W. when the wind permits

Monday Lat 5° 40' N Long 20° 00' W
Continued light doldrums

1885
Toward the Equator

15

October

6

Tuesday Lat 5° 05' N Long 20° 50' W.
Weather continuing the same light squalls
from all points of the compass. working
to the S W. At 2 1/2 A M a school of
sperm whales ran afoul of the ship
hauled aback and waited for dawn
when we saw the whales to the windward
of us about 2 1/2 miles away. The wind
being S W. at the time, got the boats ready
and all hands had breakfast.
meanwhile a squall came down and
hid the whales, after the squall cleared
away at 8 A M. there were no whales to
be seen. they must have started off quickly
to the S W. almost calm no wind to follow them

7

Wednesday Lat 4° 55' N Long 20° 49' W.
Raised sperm whales at 9 A M. lowered
three boats and chased. wind fresh from
S. whales going quick to westward

8

[whale
stamp]

Thursday. Succeeded in striking. waist
boat first and the other boat soon after. the
whaler brought to for a little while, but the
starboard boat got there too late. First boat struck
about 3 P M. got the three whales along side
about 6 P M. At 7 A M commenced cutting
did not begin before because of rain
it rained in torrents all the time we were
cutting. wind from the south, fresh

9

Friday. Finished cutting at 1 1/2 P M. fine
weather fresh breeze from S. commenced
boiling at 6 1/2 A M. ship on port tack all day

10

Saturday Lat 4° 24' N Long 21° 28' W
Weather continues fine, wind from S. fresh and
steady. boiling slowly, mincing machine does
not work well, and din't mince enough
blubber to keep the pots going. finished
boiling at 9 1/2 A M. ship on port tack

16

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Across the equator.

October

12

Monday. Lat 2° 52' N Long 23° 28' W.
Strong S E trades. ship on port tack
making a S W. course. had trades since Thursday

13

Tuesday Lat 1° 50' N Long 24° 48' W.
Strong trades. ship by the wind on port tack

14

Wednesday Lat 1° 12' N Long 26° 13' W.
Pleasant weather with a fine breeze
steering S W. by S.

15

Thursday Lat 00° 55' N Long 26° 50' W.
Continued pleasant trades, steering S W by S.

16

Friday Lat 00° 55' S Long 27° 30' W.
Fresh trades. Steering S S W.

17

[sketch of
3 signal
flags]

Saturday Lat 2° 33' S Long 28° 24' W
Good weather. fresh breeze. steering S S W.
At 11 1/2 A M signalized English barkentine
Pembroke Castle. steering N N E asked his
Longitude it was 29°. finished setting up
rigging for the prestant

18

Sunday Lat 4° 18' S Long 29° 07' W.
The usual weather. steering S S W.

19

Monday Lat 6° 05' S. Long 29° 52' W.
Strong trades, steering S by W.

20

Tuesday Lat 7° 58' S. Long 30° 27' W
Early part strong latter part lighter
steering S by W and SW

21

Wednesday Lat 10° 18' S. Long 30° 39' W.
Moderate trade wind, steering S. S W.

22

Thursday Lat 13° 00' S Long 31° 03' W
Lighter wind this day. steering S S W.

23

Friday Lat 15° 25' S. Long 31° 48' W
Light wind. steering S S W. first part
S by E 1/2 E in latter part

Bound south

October		
24	Saturday Lat 17° 15' S Long 31° 48' W Light air from N. steering S by E 1/2 E	
25	Sunday Lat 18° 05' S Long 31° 25' W Continued light wind from N. course S S E	
26	Monday Lat 18° 58' S. Long 30° 56' W. Fresher breeze early part. increasing to strong latter part from N. course S S E	
27	Tuesday. Strong wind from N with occa- sional showers. steered S S E until 3 P M after that steered S by W. until 10 1/2 P M when the wind hauled to the S W. by the wind on both tacks for the remain- der of the day. At 1 1/2 P M sighted Trinidad. bearing E S E dist. 20 miles passed to the westward of it	
28	Wednesday Lat 21° 25' S Long 29° 20' W Fresh breeze first part from S. middle and latter part from S E ship on starboard tack until 10 P M remainder on port tack. Trinidad in sight during P M. bearing N N E dist 55 miles	
29	Thursday Lat 22° 15' S Long 29° 32' W. Strong breezes from S. veering to E S E in middle part. the course being S by W 1/2 W.	
30	Friday Lat 24° 00' S Long 29° 48' W. Strong hazy weather. wind from N E steering S. At 6 1/2 A M. the iron four masted ship Drumburton passed our stern steering S E. probably an Englishman	
November		
1	Sunday Lat 27° 15' S Long 28° 46' W	
2	Monday Lat 27° 35' S. Long 27° 47' W	
6	Friday Lat 28° 05' S Long 28° 20 W String weather from all quarters. for the last 3 days have been cruising in lat 27° and long 27° today have been steering S by E. first part light latter strong	

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Right whale ground

November

7

Saturday Lat 29° 25' S Long 27° 23' W.
Fresh breeze from N with rain after 6 A M
steering S by W

9

Monday Lat 31° 00' S Long 27° 46' W.
Light wind from E steering S 1/2 W

11

Wednesday Lat 33° 56' S. Long 27° 32' W
First part strong breeze from N E steering
S by W, middle part by the wind on port tack
latter part from 9 1/2 A M steered S by W
saw a few finbacks during the day

12

Thursday. On northern edge of right
whale ground. saw a few finbacks but no
feed. strong breeze from N with occasion-
al showers, thick and bad seeing all day

13

Friday Fresh breeze from N all day with
fog or rain most of the time. the fog lit
up during the forenoon. but it was still bad
seeing. saw finbacks and a little feed
ship by the wind on port tack until 7 1/2 A M
when we kept off S by W for the remainder of day

14

Saturday Lat 35° 02' S Long 25° 43' W.
First part running S by W. with a fresh
N wind. Luffed to the wind at sundown on
starboard tack. breezed on during the night
to a moderate gale. with fog and rain that
lasted the remainder of the day. wore ship at
12 P M with fore and mizzen tpsls furled

15

Sunday. The gale moderated and hauled
to the westward in the afternoon, and in
the night hauled to S E. overcast sky and
strong breeze all day. ship on port tack
saw feed and plenty of finbacks

[whale
stamp]

16

Monday Breezed on during the night
from E and blew a moderate gale the
rest of the day

1885

19

Right whale ground

November

17

Tuesday. Early part strong breeze from NE
 middle part calm. latter part light breeze
 from N with fog. fog lit up at 9 1/2 A M
 raised two right whales on ships lee beam
 feeding. lowered larboard and waist
 boats. chasing the remainder of the day

[whale stamp]

18

Wednesday. In trying to go on the whales
 waist broke tiller and consequently did
 not fasten. chased the whales until 6 P M
 and went on board. Breezing on all the
 while with a nasty sea running. and
 during the night half a gale. with squalls
 of rain. whales did not seem inclined to go off.
 wind veering gradually from N W to W and S.

19

Thursday Lat 36° 33' S Long 25° 25' W
 Early strong breeze. middle and latter part
 light from west and southwest

20

Lat 36° 10' S Long 26° 04' W
 Early part light breeze from S W. at 4 P M
 raised a right whale among a number
 of finback. lowered at 5/14 and chased until
 sundown. middle part calm. latter part
 light breeze from N. at 9 1/2 A M
 raised a right whale. supposed to be
 the same whale we chased before. lowered
 three boats and chased very fine weather
 plenty of finbacks and feed

[whale stamp]

[whale stamp]

21

Saturday Early part chased right whale
 until sundown. weather very fine from N
 middle part light breeze from N W
 at daylight raised a right whale
 supposed to be same one again. lowered three
 boats. did not succeed in striking. mate
 went alongside of him and the boatsteerer
 missed a good chance. meanwhile
 the ship raised another whale
 and the bow boat struck him about
 10 A M. got him along side 11 1/2 A M weather
 fine, wind N W.

[whale stamp]

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1885

Right whale ground

November

22

Sunday Lat 36° 19' S . Cut in from
2 P M to 7 1/2 P M. fine weather from N W
all day. started try works at 11 A M

23

Monday Lat 36° 45' S Long 26° 40' W.
These 24 hours fine weather. wind N W. veering
to S W. boiling during the day ship on both tacks.

24

Tuesday Finished boiling at 2 A M
wind veering from S W. to S and E. and
finally N E. fine weather

25

[barrel
stamp]

Wednesday Lat 36° 00 S Long 27° 00' W.
Fair weather wind from N. commenced
stowing down at daylight. in main hold
starboard side

26

Thursday. fine weather wind N. finished
stowing. (56 bbls R 28 bbls S.) at 7 1/2 P M

27

Friday Lat 36° 25' S. Long 25° 00' W.
Half a gale from N. early part running S.
middle and latter part on port tack
under lower main topsail

29

Sunday Lat 36° 05' S Long 25° 00' W
Early part fresh breeze from N N W
steering S W. at sundown luffed to the wind
on port tack, under lower maintopsail, wind
increased to a moderate gale during the
night and continued so for the day

30

Monday. Wind moderated in early part and
hauled to W. middle part strong breeze
latter part on southern tack. fine and clear

December

1

Lat 36° 45' S Long 24° 11' W, Tuesday
Fine weather, wind W. good breeze first part
latter part light. ship on both tacks, plenty finbacks

2

Wednesday Early part calm, middle part light breeze
latter part strong from N. washing bow in A M.
ship on starboard tack all day

1885
Right whale ground

21

December

- 3 Thursday. Wind from N blowing a moderate gale with rain, ship on starboard tack, until 5 P M. after that on port tack
- 4 Friday. Wind moderated and hauled to W. at 3 P M. afterward around to S and finally E rainy all day. middle and latter part wind light. ship on port tack all day
- 5 Saturday Early part light breeze from E with rain. middle part wind hauled to S. and cleared off. latter strong breeze S ship on port tack
- 6 Sunday Lat 36° 55' S Long 25° 43' W. Wind from S died away to a light breeze in the early part and continued so for the day ship on port tack
- 7 Monday Lat 36° 50' S. Long 25° 30' W. calm early part. light breeze middle part fresh breeze in latter part from N W. ship on port tack to 6 A M. after that on starboard.
- 8 Tuesday Lat 37° 10' S Long 26° 40' W. Light wind from W. and N W. all day ship on starboard tack early and latter part, on port tack middle part
- 9 Wednesday Lat 37° 12' S Long 26° 30' W. Fine breeze from N W. during the day. ship on starboard tack before 5 1/2 P M. after that steered E by S. for the remainder of the day The steward went off duty. was taken with spitting blood, caused by wrestling with men forward. cook on duty as steward. a foremast hand in the galley
- 10 Thursday. Strong breeze in early part from N breezed on to a gale in latter part. hauled to W. and moderated in latter part. had some rain during the night. steering E early part. after that, on port tack

22 **On Right whale ground**
Dec **1885**

11 Friday Lat 37° 15' S Long 24° 20' W.
 Fresh breeze all day. first part from N W
 middle and latter part S W. ship on port
 tack under short sail, until 6 1/2 A M. when
 kept off E by S. no signs of right whales to be seen

12 Saturday Lat 36° 45' S. Long 23° 54' W.
 Early part fine breeze from S W. steering E by S.
 middle part by the wind short sail port tack
 latter part wind from S and S E. steered N E by E

13 Sunday Lat 35° 55' S. Long 23° 23' W.
 Commenced with strong wind from E
 ship on starboard tack. middle part breezing
 on. ship on port tack. latter part half a
 gale from S E ship on port tack

14 Monday Half a gale from E. ship on port tack

15 Tuesday. Wind moderated to a strong breeze
 from E. ship on port tack before 6 A M. then on starboard

16 Wednesday Lat 36° 10' S Long 24° 11' W.
 Light wind from S E howling in latter part
 PM ship on starboard tack until wind
 hauled, then steered E by S.

17 Thursday Lat 35° 40' S Long 23° 45' W.
 Light breeze from W. all day. steering
 E by S, and E S E in latter part of the day

18 Friday Lat 35° 35' S Long 22° 14' W. Fresh
 breeze from W. steering course E S E first six hours
 after that steering S E by E.

19 Saturday Lat 35° 50' S Long 19° 17' W. Light
 breeze from W. and N W. course S E by E

20 Sunday Lat 36° 00' S Long 17° 53' W
 Light breeze from N W. hauling to N in
 latter part course S E by E

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Dec	Working east	
21	Monday Lat 36° 12' S Long 15° 52' W. Fine light weather. wind form N W. steering E until 6 P M. during night by the wind on port tack. in the morning kept off E for the day	
23	Wednesday Blowing half a gale from N W. hove to at sundown. on port tack. for the rest of the day	
25 [pig stamp]	Fine weather wind W. Killed the hog in P M. and bent new fore and foretopmast stay sails course S E by S.	
26	Saturday. Light breeze through the day from E ship on both tacks. working E. P M bent new M tpsls	
27	Sunday Lat 34° 40' S Long 8° 18' W. Commenced with light breeze from E. middle and latter part from N E. latter part steered S E	
28	Monday Lat 35° 05' S Long 7° 27' W. Wind from N E. fresh. course S E	
29	Tuesday. Commenced with a fresh breeze from N E. lighter in middle part from N W. strong breeze latter part from N steering S E 1/2 E	
30	Wednesday Lat 36° 20' S Long 1° 35' W. Commenced with a strong breeze from N middle part veered to N W. with rain thunder and lightning. latter part fresh breeze from S W. clear steering S E 1/2 E all day. Lat Long	
31	Thursday 36° 35' S. 1° 05' E. Commenced with a light breeze from S. hauling to E ship on starboard tack. middle part wind hauled to N E. steering S E. latter part wind veered N, so end the year 1885. 84 barrels of oil for the Milton six months and twenty two days from New Bedford	

Working East by Cape Good Hope	
January	
1	Friday Lat 36° 55' S Long 3° 00' E New years day commences with a fresh breeze from N veering to N W. in middle part. with fog steering S E during the day
2	Saturday Lat 37° 25' S Long 6° 00' E Commenced with light breeze from N W and hazy, very foggy during middle and latter part. saw finbacks and feed. course S E
3	Sunday. Commenced with thick fog and a light breeze from N W. middle part foggy wind S W. latter part clear. wind N W. steering a S E course through the day.
4	Monday Lat 38° 08' S Long 10° 04' E Commenced with a fresh breeze from N W increasing in middle part. to a strong breeze from W. that continued the rest of the day steered a S E course through the day
5	Tuesday Lat 38° 32' S Long 13° 17' E Fresh breeze from W. dying away and hauled to N W. in middle part. freshening from N W in latter part. steering S E.
6	Wednesday. Strong breeze from NW. with occasional rain showers. latter part wind became light and hauled to S W. course S E
7	Thursday Lat 39° 08' S Long 18° 39' E Commenced with strong breeze from S W. dying away calm in latter part course S E by E
8	Friday Lat 39° 25' S Long 20° 10' E Commenced with a light breeze from E N E. ship by the wind on port tack. middle part wind hauled N N E. with strong squalls. latter part strong and squally. wind hauled to W N W At 7 A M, signalized bark Abbie Carnes of Boston. 63 days from Boston Bay bound to Sidney N S W.
[sketch of signal flags]	

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January

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Toward New Zealand

Saturday Commenced with a strong breeze increasing to a gale from W N W. with heavy squalls in latter part steering E S E

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Sunday Early part blowing a gale from W N W. with heavy squalls, and a heavy cross sea. moderated in middle part latter part hauled to S W with a light breeze steering E S E

11

Monday Lat 38° 05' S Long 29° 30' E
Commenced with light wind from S W.
dying away calm in middle part course S E by E

12

Tuesday Lat 37° 20' S Long 31° 43' E
Commenced with a light breeze from E increasing to a fresh breeze in latter part ship by the wind on port tack all day

13

Wednesday Lat 38° 44' S Long 33° 40' E
Commenced with a fresh breeze from E dying away calm in middle part. latter part light breeze from same quarter ship by the wind on port tack all day

14

Thursday Lat 39° 05' S Long 35° 23' E.
Early part light breeze from N E. middle part hauled to N W. with rain, latter part strong breeze from W. N. W. course E S E.

15

Friday Lat 38° 45' S Long 38° 16' E
Early part fresh breeze from W N W hauling to S at 2P M. light breeze remainder of the day course E S E.

16

Saturday Lat 37° 52' S Long 40° 30' E. This day begins with a light breeze from S. calm in middle part. light breeze from E S E on latter part. ship on starboard tack before 4 1/2 A M. afterward on port tack

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Sunday Lat 38° 18' S Long 42° 05' E
Commenced with a fresh breeze from E increased to a strong breeze in the latter part ship by the wind on port tack all day

January		
18	Monday	Lat 40° 05' S Long 43° 13' E. Strong breeze from E increasing in latter part to a gale ship on port tack all day
19	Tuesday	Blowing a gale from E. in the early part ship on port tack. wind moder- ated and hauled to W. in middle part Kept off E by S the remainder of the day latter part wind died out to a light breeze
20	Wednesday	Lat 40° 38' S. Long 47° 10' E Begins with a light breeze from W. hauled to N W. at 7 P M and increased gradually to a strong breeze in latter part course E S E
21	Thursday	Lay 40° 10' S Long 50° 38' E. First part strong breeze from N N W hauled to W S W at 2 P M. in latter part hauled to S (?) and died away nearly calm course S E by E 1/2 E
22	Friday	Lat 40° 05' S Long 54° 06' E Light breeze from S in early part, middle part dead calm, at daylight a light breeze sprang up from E. and increased to a fresh breeze noon. early part ship on starboard tack, latter port tack
23	Saturday	Lat 40° 23' S Long 55° 12' E Commenced with a fresh breeze form N E ship on port tack. latter part wind veered to N steered E S E
24	Sunday	Lat 40° 10' S Long 59° 04' E A moderate breeze from N in the early part hauled gradually around to W. and at 7 A M jumped to S. for the rest of the day course S E by E 1/2 E
25	Monday	Lat 40° 00' S Long 62° 30' E Breeze fresh from S in early part. light in middle part. ship by the wind on eastern tack latter part light breeze from S W steering S E by E

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Toward New Zealand

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Tuesday Lat 39° 32' S Long 65° 00' E
 Commenced with light baffling wind from S and W. middle and latter parts light breeze from N W. course S E

27

Wednesday Lat 39° 38' S Long 66° 40' E
 Commenced with a fresh breeze from N W. hauled to N at 2 1/2 A M and breezed on strong steering S E by E and S E 1/2 E

28

Thursday Lat 40° 18' S Long 70° 12' E
 Strong breeze from N until 3 1/2 A M when it hauled to W N W and died away light with rain, at 9 A M hauled to W. and breezed on strong. course S E 1/2 E.

29

Friday Lat 40° 25' S Long 74° 14' E
 Commenced with a half a gale from N W. increased to a moderate gale in latter part steering S E and S E by E.

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Saturday Lat 40° 50' S Long 78° 12' E
 Eearly part moderate gale from W N W. latter part strong breeze. steering S E by E 1/2 E

31

Sunday Lat 40° 42' S Long 81° 24' E
 Eearly part wind became light from W N W. and hauled to N at 6 P M. middle and latter parts strong breeze, steering S E by E and E S E.

February

1

Monday Lat 40° 42' S Long 85° 23' E
 A fresh breeze from N W all day with fog and rain steering E S E.

2

Tuesday Lat 40° 30' S Long 90° 00' E
 Fresh breeze from N W with fog, course S E by E 1/2 E

3

Wednesday Lat 40° 30' S Long 94° 00' E
 Strong breeze until 4 A M when it died away to a light breeze and hauled to W N W fog all day steering E S E.

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February

4

Thursday Lat 40° 30' S Long 97° uncertain light breeze from N W. in early part with fine rain, middle part fresher breeze from W N W. with fog. latter part same breeze, fog lifted steering S E by E 1/2 E.

5

Friday Lat 40° 50' S Long 100° 30' E Fresh breeze from N. W. in the early part. hauled to N and increased in middle part latter part half a gale from N. steering S E by E. AT 6 3/4 P M. the steward (who has been of duty since Dec 9th) died. did not know what sickness he had. he got hurt wrestling. and spit a little blood for a day or two. (not more than two tablespoon fulls) no pain of any consequence. but had a cough he gradually grew weaker until he died his appetite was good. but he would not eat all he wished for fear it would hurt him he seemed to have the belief that he was going to die anyway. had no pluck but gave right in. his name was Manuel Silva 25 years old a native of Brava C V I

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Saturday Lat 41° 30' S Long 104° 39' E Strong breeze from N in early part increasing to a moderate gale in latter part at day light wind died away suddenly to a light breeze from N W barometer low expect a heavy gale. bar 29 2/10 hove ship to under lower main topsail for the remainder of the day. rain occasionally through the day. course S E by E AT 1/2 hour P M. clewed down topsail and hove ship to on port tack to bury the body set the ensign half mast. the capt' read the burial service. after which the body was launched from the gang way. all hands being present except captains wife laid aback half an hour and then Kept off on our course, for New Zealand

[sketch of
skull and
cross bones]

[sketch of
ship with
mast, sails,
& flag]

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Toward New Zealand

February

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Sunday. Came on to blow heavy from S W. at 1 1/2 P M. with rain. blew heavy through the night with squalls. moderated towards morning. after breakfast kept S E by E in middle part wind hauled W N W.

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Monday Lat 41° 42' S Long 107° 50' E
Strong breeze from N W. course S E by E

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Tuesday lat 42° 22' S Long 115° 50' E
Strong breeze from W N W course S E by E

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Wednesday Lat 43° 04' S Long 115° 52' E
Strong breeze from W. and N W. in first and middle parts. increased to a gale in latter part from N W. with rain course S E by E

11

Thursday No observations. blowing a strong gale from W. with rain in the early part steered S E by E until 6 1/2 P M. when we hove to on port tack for the remainder of the day

12

Friday Lat 43° 40' S Long 120° 30' E
Hove to in a gale from W S W until 4 1/2 A M. when the weather being better. Kept off S E by E for the remainder of the day

13

Saturday Lat 43° 32' S Long 122° 00' E
Fresh breeze from N W. with drizzle in middle and latter parts course S E by E

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Sunday Lat 44° 25' S Long 125° 50' E
Strong breeze from W N W. steered S E by E and E S E

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Monday Lat 45° 38' S Long 130° 00' E
Light breeze from W. veering to W N W in latter part course East by South

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Tuesday Lat 45° 45' S Long 133° 20' E
Early and middle parts fresh breeze from N W latter part strong breeze from N N W. steering several courses. E by S. E 1/2 S. and E

February

17 Wednesday Lat 40° 02' S Long 138° 00' E
Strong breeze from N N W. increasing to half a gale in latter part course E

18 Thursday Lat 46° 12' S Long 142° 45' E
Commenced with half a gale from N N W middle part less wind from S. latter part light breeze from S. course E

19 Friday Lat 46° 22' S Long 145° 45' E
Light winds all day. from S in early part. from E and N E in middle and latter parts. course E when she will head it by the wind on starboard tack in the middle part until 2 A M. after that on port tack

20 Saturday. Commenced with a light breeze from N E ship on port tack. middle part wind hauled to N W. with a fresh breeze latter part strong breeze from W. course N E by E

21 Sunday Lat 46° 05' S Long 150° 20' E
Fresh breeze from S W. dying away to a light breeze from S S W. in the latter part course N E and N E by E

22 Monday Lat 44° 28' S Long 153° 15' E
Commenced with a light breeze from S. breezed on strong in middle part from S E. blowing half a gale in the latter part from E S E steering N E by E when wind allows

23 Tuesday. Commenced with a strong breeze from E S E. with squalls of fine rain ship by the wind on starboard tack. middle part same. latter part light breeze from S. course N E

24 Wednesday Lat 42° 06' S Long 156° 30' E
[sketch of signal flags] Light airs from Land S W. course N E by N signalized an English bark bound east

25 Thursday Lat 40° 48' S Long 158° 00' E Light airs from S W to N E. steering N E by N when we can

Toward New Zealand

February

- 26 Friday Lat 40° 42' S Long 158° 50' E
Fresh breeze from N hauling to W. in the latter part. course N E by N. when wind permits
- 27 Saturday Lat 39° 58' S. Long 161° 30' E
Commenced with a fresh breeze from W dying away. and hauling to S in middle part. latter part wind light and hauled to N E. steering N and by the wind on port tack
- 28 Sunday. Commenced with a light breeze from N E. with showers of fine rain ship on starboard tack. middle part wind hauled to N ship on port tack. latter part wind strong from W steering N

March

- 1 Monday Lat 37° 05' S Long 162° 40' E
Strong breeze from S W. and S. first part steering N. middle part by the wind on port tack under short sail. A 7 1/2 A M spoke the colonial whaler Water Witch Capt Mc Graw. did not find out where she hailed from or how much oil she had
- 2 Tuesday Lat 35° 45' S Long 162° 34' E
Fresh breeze from S hauling to S E in latter part. first part steering N. middle and latter parts by the wind on starboard tack
- 3 Wednesday Baffling squally. weather from S E to E. ship by the wind on starboard tack
[sketch of 3 mast ship] At 4 P M spoke barkentine Nancy Holt of Liverpool, Australia steering N E
- 4 Thursday Lat 34° 00' S Long 164° 55' E
Wind baffling from S E to E N E. strong and squally ship by the wind on starboard tack
- 5 Friday Lat 33° 20' S Long 165° 30' E
Commenced with strong squally weather from E increased to a gale in latter part ship on starboard tack until 3 A M. after that on port tack

March

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Saturday No observations. blowing a gale from E. ship hove to on port tack under lower main topsail and foretopmast stay sail some rain during the day

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Sunday Lat 34° 15' S Long 164° 48' E Hove to under the same sail as yesterday wind blowing a moderate gale in early part and a strong breeze in latter part. wind hauled to N in the night. Occasional showers

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[sketch
of 2 masts
with sails]

Tuesday. Light wind from N. hauling to S during the night. ship by the wind on port tack until 6 A M. when we steered N E by N Passed at 1 P M bark Lochnaw of Sydney N S W. steering S W.

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[sketch of
two men
fighting]

Wednesday Lat 34° 34' S Long 166° 40' E Commenced with light breeze from S W. steering N E by N. middle part wind from N W. ship on port tack under lower topsails latter part light breeze standing to N E During the day watch. two of the men forward got to fighting. put one of them (Antoine Silva) in irons, and put two scrub broom handles, over his arms and under his knees. Kept him sitting on deck in that position about one hour. set them both at work in the morning scouring the pots. to work off some of their extra spirits

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Thursday Lat 34° 10' S Long 167° 30' E A fine whaling breeze all day from S W. weather clear. during the afternoon steered N E by N. during the night on starboard under short sail, forenoon steered N E by E

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Friday Lat 33° 42' S Long 168° 50' E Commenced with a light breeze from S W steering N E by E. middle part by the wind on starboard tack under short sail latter part wind from S E hauling to N E very light ship on starboard tack

Cruising

13 Saturday. Commenced with a light breeze from N E. and ended with a fresh breeze from same quarter. ship on starboard tack until 6 1/2 P M after that on port tack

14 Sunday Lat 33° 35' S Long 170° 15' E Fresh breeze from N E and N. fine weather ship on port tack in afternoon. Port tack at night, steering E by S in foremorn

15 Monday Lat 33° 54' S Long 170° 40' E Fresh breeze from N N E hazy weather ship on port tack until 5 P M. after that on starboard tack

18 Thursday. The last three days wind has been from N. E. weather hazy. bad seeing wind strong or light in spells. ship by the wind on both tacks, short sail nights

19 Friday Lat 33° 30' S Long 170° 23' E Light wind from E N E , to S S E. with squalls of fine rain in latter part ship on port tack before 4 P M afterward on starboard tack

21 Sunday Lat 33° 12' S Long 171° 40' E Light breeze from S. ship on starboard tack all day with the exception of 3 1/2 hours between 12 P M and 3 1/2 A M

22 Monday Lat 33° 27' S Long 172° 57' E Fresh breeze from S with squalls of rain in the night, ship on starboard tack

23 Tuesday Lat 33° 30' S. Long 174° 23' E Baffling wind from the southward ship on port tack from 3 1/2 P M to 6 1/2 P M. the rest of the time on starboard tack weather fine for whaling, but no life to be seen except a few birds

1886
Bound to Russell

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March

24

Wednesday Lat 34° 12' S Long 175° 20' E
Early part strong breeze from S W. ship on starboard tack, middle part calm.
latter part strong and squally from N W
ship hove to under lower main topsail

26

Friday Lat 34° 58' S Long 175° 10' E
Wind from S to S W. strong and squally
ship on both tacks

27

[sketch of
signal flags]

Saturday. Continued strong squally
weather from S W. ship on both tacks
At 9 1/2 A M. signalized English iron
bark showing letter R J F B. from
Sydney N S W. bound to Valparaiss
Compared longitudes. his 175° 30' ours 175° 25'E

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Sunday Lat 34° 28' S Long 175° 30' E
Early part more moderate than yesterday
ship on starboard tack. middle part
squally light and strong by turns
latter part the same with ship on port tack

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Monday Lat 35° 06' S Long 176° 05' E
Wind from S S W. to W S W. light in early
part strong in latter part ship on both
tacks working S W.

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Tuesday Lat 35° 00' S Long 175° 15' E
Wind from S W. to W. baffling. strong in
the early part. dying away almost calm
in the latter part, ship on both tacks

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[sketch of
rocks]

Wednesday Lat 35° 12' S Long 175° 12' E
Commenced with a calm, middle part
light breeze from N E. hauling to W before
day light. steered W when wind allowed
afterward by the wind on starboard tack.
latter part fresh breeze from W. ship on
port tack. At 5 1/2 A M saw the Poor Knights
bearing S W. dist 20 miles and Cape Brett
bearing W. 30 miles list

April

1 Thursday Lat 35° 02' S Long 174° 50' E
Fresh breeze in early part from W. latter part strong. ship on port tack most of the time, land out of sight at 3 P M to the S W. There appears to be a strong current setting eastward. shown by the ship not making to windward as much as she might to, quantities of drift. stuff etc.
Our port about 40 miles to W.

2 Friday. Early part strong from W. middle and latter parts. fresh breeze from S. ship on port tack until 6 A M. after that on starboard tack

3 Saturday Lat 34° 30' S Long 174° 45' E.
Wind from S. fresh in first and middle parts light in latter part. ship by the wind on both tacks. At day light Cape Brett bore S S W. dist 30 miles

4 Sunday Wind light and baffling from S and W. working the ship in the bay as fast as possible. at the end of the sea day. was half way between the Ninepin rock and Whale rock. with no wind. boats ahead towing

5 Monday. Light breeze sprang up from S W. hoisted the boats and beat up the bay arrived at the anchorage off Russell at 4 1/2 P M. received letters from the office soon after. No whalers here latter part of the day washing ship outside getting ready fro painting. Steamer Arawata arrived and sailed. she is a trading steamer between New Zealand and Feejee Islands.

6 Tuesday. Finished washing ship. latter part got a raft of casks ashore for water. broke out provisions from fore hold ready for storing water. Steamer Wellington arrived and sailed for Auckland.

[Anchor
stamp]

1886
At Russell, Bay of Islands

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April

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Wednesday. First part engaged in breaking out fore hold. one gang ashore filling water one gang breaking out forehold and 5 men painting bends. continued fine weather Watches running ashore evenings, turn about. go after supper and back at 10 P M.

8

Thursday. Finished breaking out and cleaning up the fore hold, and finished the bends for the present. latter part stowed middle tier in fore hold for water. and the wings of the riding tier of provisions. two steamers arrived and sailed. the Wellington from Aukland for Mongamir, and the Wairarapa from _____ bound to Sydney

9

Friday Got off a raft off water and stowed it. rainy weather. did several small jobs between showers. the mate went to to Kawa Kawa in the morning to see the doctor government steamer Hinenoa arrived

10

Saturday. Showery weather in first part latter part fine. got off a small raft of water and stowed it. the stream runs very small. slow filling. schooner Norval arrived from up river with coal for Aukland

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Sunday Early part stowed some provisions forward and did several small jobs latter part starboard watch ashore on a run at 8 P M Hinenwa sailed for Aukland

13

Tuesday. Yesterday and today engaged in breaking out and stowing back main hold painting on port side, and filling and getting off water. two steamers arrived and sailed the Rotomahana and Cansman revenue schooner Hawk sailed yesterday morning on a cruise

1886
At the Bay of Islands

April 15 Thursday. Engaged with various odd jobs
American whaler Triton. Childs arrived
bound home with 1600 bbls oil, also etc Clamsman

May 4 Tuesday. Ship ready for sea have taken
450 bbls of water and 10 cords of Titree wood
painted ship and three larboard boats
two more whalers arrived. the bark Swallow
& Mc Ginnis. 2700 barrels of oil 3 years out
and ship Horatio Morse 7 months out
870 barrels oil. Three of our men ran away
and were caught by the Mauries and
lodged in jail until the ship sails. Three
days liberty were given each watch
A number of steamers have been in
the names of which are, Aranata Wellington
Waivarapa, Hinemoa, Rotomahana
Clamsman, Glonely and Waihora

5 Wednesday. Bark Triton sailed for home
via Lavage and Horn Islands

6 Thursday. in latter part. steamboat Ida
towed us out to the center of the bay

7 Friday. got underway at 1 P M with a light
breeze from S S W. got clear of the land before
sundown, at sundown took in mainsail
fore and mizzen topgals. steered N E by N
during the night and N E in forenoon weather fine

8 Saturday Lat 33° 55' S Long 176° 45' E
Early part light breeze from S. steering N E
middle part calm. yards braced on starboard
tack. latter part light breeze from N E ship on port
tack sky cloudy

9 Sunday Light breeze in the early part
from N E. increasing in middle part
to half a gale with rain. latter part more
moderate, rainy ship on both tacks

1886
Cruising

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May

10 Monday. Fresh breeze from N E hauling tp S W. in middle part. with occasional rain squalls ship on starboard tack latter part steered N E by E

11 Lat 33° 25' S Long 176° 18' E
Fresh breeze from S W. steered N E by E until dark then luffed to on starboard. wore around at 9 1/2 A M. for the rest of the day

12 Wednesday Lat 33° 00' S Long 177° 30' E
Fresh breeze in first and middle parts from W ship on port tack. latter part light, course E by N

13 Thursday. Commenced with light breeze from W. steering E by N middle part more wind ship on starboard tack under lower topsails. latter part half a gale from N W. with rain. fore and mizzen topsails furled

14 Friday. Commenced with half a gale from W moderated during the night. latter part fresh breeze from N W. ship hove to on both tacks

15 Saturday. Strong breeze from N W to S W. with heavy squalls. ship hove to on both tacks

16 Sunday Lat 32° 05' S Long 178° 30' E
[this entry is for Tues. the 18, except the first line]
Commenced with strong squally weather from W. latter part fine weather from S ship on starboard tack until 8 A M. when kept off E for the remainder of the day

18 Tuesday Lat 32° 45' S Long 179° 36' E

19 Wednesday Lat 33° 12' S Long 179° 18' W.
Fine weather wind south. early part steering E. middle part on starboard tack. short sail latter part steered E N E

20 Thursday Lat 33° 06' S Long 177° 52' W
Commenced with a good breeze from S E steering E N E. middle part wind light. ship on starboard tack. latter part light airs and calm

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1886
Cruising

May

21 Friday Lat 32° 46' S Long 177° 10' W
Light breeze from N W. in the early part.
ship on starboard tack, middle and latter
parts fresh breeze, ship on port tack

22 Saturday Lat 32° 10' S Long 176° 30' W
Commenced with a fresh breeze from N W. ship
on port tack, middle part had a shower
and wind hauled S W. latter part wind
hauling to eastward. steering N by E

23 Sunday Lat 31° 05' S Long 176° 14' W.
Commenced with a strong breeze from E S E
steering N by E. middle and latter parts
half a gale from same quarter. ship by the
wind on starboard tack

24 Monday. Moderate gale from E S E ship on star' tack

25 Tuesday Lat 29° 34' S Long 174° 50' W
Continued gale from E. ship on starboard
tack. wore around at 9 A M.

26 Wednesday. Continued E gale ship on port tack

27 Thursday. Easterly gale. ship on port tack

28 Friday. Strong easterly gale with heavy
squalls. ship on port tack

29 Saturday . Continuation of the gale with
heavy squalls. ship on port tack

30 Sunday Lat 31° 09' S Long 178° 13' W
Gale continues from S E with squalls at
2 P M. French Rock bore S W. 25 miles and
Curtiss Rocks W N W. 25 miles. wore ship
at 2 P M. and headed to the E N E

31 Monday. gales moderating with squalls
of fine rain. latter part strong breeze
made sail, topsails courses. jib and spanker
ship on starboard tack, very heavy swells on

1886
Vasques ground

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June

1 Tuesday. Commenced with a fresh breeze from S E. and ended with a light breeze from E S E/ squalls of fine rain through the day ship on starboard

2 Wednesday Lat 29° 10' S Long 176° 30' W Fresh breeze from S E with occasional squalls of fine rain, ship on starboard tack

3 Thursday Lat 28° 46' S Long 175° 40' W Light breeze from E. with squalls of fine rain ship on starboard tack. at 11 1/4 A M raised a breach on lee beam. kept ship off.

4 Friday. The breach proved to be sperm whale. a large school going slow to W. wind light and coming in spurts from N E. Lowered three boats at 2 1/2 P M and went for the whales. after we lowered .the whales milled to N W got down to the whales with a good breeze. bow boat went along side of one and missed. all the whales came together and seemed completely bewildered. but they knew enough to keep a safe distance from the boats. darted three times from larboard boat the third time he got fast. just at dusk, the whale stove the boat on starboard bow three streaks and started running and sounding. the two other boats passed their warps into the fast boat and the whale started running very quick in various directions then he sounded. and took one line bent on third mates line. the whale came up and started running again. ran until he found the school. it being very dark could not see to work on the whale, and the school being around made it worse so we were forced to cut line and let him go got on board at 9 P M. latter part took in larboard boat and started patching her gamming with ship Horatio Morse, so ends a bad days work for the Milton

[whale head
stamp]

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Vasques Ground

June

5

Saturday. Commenced with fine weather wind from N N W. finished and put out larboard boat at 4 P M. middle part wind hauled to W. with a shower of rain. latter part fine weather. in company with Horatio all day

[sketch of a
3 masted
vessel under
sail]

Sunday Lat 28° 10' S Long 175° 56' W
Wind from W. fine weather. Horatio in company. gammed latter part of the day

7

Monday Fine weather. wind W. and S W first part gamming Horatio in sight all day

9

Wednesday Lat 27° 50' S Long 175° 24' W
Fine weather. wind S W. hauling to S E in the latter part. ship on starboard tack, before 3 A M after that on port tack

11

Friday Lat 28° 10' S Long 175° 44' W
Wind S W. fresh in early part. strong latter part. ship on starboard tack in afternoon port tack at night. steered N in forenoon

13

Sunday Lat 26° 30' S Long 175° 59' W
Fresh breeze from S W. ship running N E in the early part on port tack middle and latter parts, ship Horatio in sight all day

14

Monday Lat 25° 47' S Long 175° 57' W
Wind from W. fresh in early part. light in the latter part. on port tack previous to 2 1/2 P M. after that in starboard tack. Horatio in sight

15

Tuesday Lat 26° 30' S Long 175° 30' W
Light breeze from N W in the early part breezed on strong in the night hauled to S W. in the forenoon still strong. ship on starboard tack all day. ship Horatio in sight to windward

17

Thursday Lat 27° 40' S Long 174° 22' W
Strong breeze from S W. ship on starboard tack. Horatio in sight. occasional squalls

1886
Vasques Ground

June

19

Saturday Lat $27^{\circ} 35'$ S Long $175^{\circ} 38'$ W
Strong breeze from S S W. ship on port tack
before 8 A M. after that in starboard tack
signalized the Horatio H in sight all day

[sketch of a
3 mast ship]

21

Sunday Lat $27^{\circ} 20'$ S. Long $175^{\circ} 45'$ W.
Strong breeze from S W in early part dying
away to a light breeze in the latter part. ship
on a starboard tack. at 10 A M captain Pevent
on board of the Horatio to spend the day.

22

Tuesday Strong breeze in early part
from N W. latter part from S S W.
ship on the starboard tack. Horatio in sight

23

Wednesday Lat $28^{\circ} 45'$ S Long $175^{\circ} 37'$ W
Light breeze from S W. ship on a starboard
tack afternoon and night. forenoon steered
N E by N. Horatio out of sight. for a change

24

Lat $28^{\circ} 55'$ S. Long $174^{\circ} 47'$ W
Light breeze in the early part from S W.
steering N E by N. middle part by the wind
on port tack wind hauled to N N W. latter
part fresh breeze. ship on port tack

25

Friday Lat $28^{\circ} 32'$ S. Long $174^{\circ} 14'$ W
Fresh breeze from NN W fine weather
ship on starboard tack all day

26

Saturday Lat $28^{\circ} 00'$ S Long $172^{\circ} 52'$ W
Fresh breeze in the early and middle parts
from N W. latter part light breeze from
W ship by the wind on both tacks
saw humpbacks during P M. during
the A M. when the wind shifted between 8
and 9 o'clock had rain

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Vaques ground

June

27 Sunday Lat 28° 10'; S Long 173° 15' W
First part light breeze from S. middle
part wind hauled to W. latter part
fresh breeze from W. ship on port tack all day

28 Monday Lat 27° 12' S Long 173° 43' W
Fresh breeze from S W. to S. fine weather
ship on the port tack

29 Tuesday. Lat 26° 40' S. Long 174° 42' W
Light breeze from S to S E. fine weather
ship on port tack

July

1 Thursday Lat 28° 10' S Long 177° 12' W
Fresh breeze from S E to N E. ship
on starboard tack after 1 P M. fine weather

2 Friday Lat 26° 32' S Long 176° 05' W
Fresh breeze from N N E ship on starboard
tack. put her on port tack at 6 P M.
breezed on fresh. strong in the latter part
with rain showers

4 Sunday Lat 26° 38' S Long 175° 15' W
Early part strong from the westward ship on
port tack. latter part light breeze from
same quarter. ship on starboard tack after 10 A M

5 Monday Lat 26° 12' S. Long 175° 33' W
Fresh breeze from S W. to S. with a
heavy swell from S. ship on starboard tack

6 Tuesday Lat 26° 50' S Long 174° 48' W
Fresh breeze in the first part from S.
latter part less wind from S E. overcast
sky. ship on starboard tack before 8 1/2 A.M.
after that on port tack

7 Wednesday No observations, Wind from S E
light in the early part, fresh in the latter part
with rain ship on port tack

1886
Vasques Ground

July

8 Thursday. Moderate gale from E S E
rain in the first part. ship on port
tack previous to 8 A M. after that on starboard

9 Friday Lat 27° 35' S Long 175° 25' W
Strong breeze from E S E. squally
ship on the starboard tack

10 Saturday Lat 26° 35' S Long 175° 10' W
Fresh breeze from E S E ship on the star
board tack before 6 P M after that on port tack

11 Sunday Lat 26° 58' S Long 175° 25' W
Fresh breeze from E. fine weather
ship by the wind on the port tack

13 Tuesday Lat 29° 05' S. Long 175° 05' W
Fresh breeze from N E to N. with a few
squalls of light rain in the morning
ship on the port tack

14 Wednesday Lat 29° 24' S. Long 174° 10' W
Fresh breeze from N in the first part. wore
ship to the westward at 1 P M. middle
part strong breeze. latter part wind. hauled
to W. with showers of rain. wore ship to
the northward at 9 A M,

16 Friday Lat 28° 23' S Long 174° 45' W
Fresh breeze from S S W fine weather
steered W N W in the afternoon and N W by W
in the forenoon

17 Saturday. Lat 27° 30' S. Long 175° 37' W.
Fresh breeze from S steered N part of the
afternoon. by the wind on the port tack the
remainder of the day. fine calm weather

18 Sunday Lat 26° 58' S Long 176° 40' W
Fresh breeze from S. squally in latter part
ship on the western tack

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1886
Cruising

July

19

Monday Lay 26° 56' S Long 177° 30' W
Commenced with a fresh breeze from S. hauling
to E at 2 P M. squally in the early part
ship on port tack steered W. in the forenoon

20

Tuesday Lat 27° 15' S. Long 178° 25' W
Fresh breeze from E. rainy in the latter
part ship on starboard tack all day
with the exception of three hours and a half
between 2 and 5 1/2 P M. when we steered W

22

Thursday Lat 27° 12' S. Long 179° 04' W
Fresh breeze from E. fine weather
ship on port tack

23

Friday Lat 27° 35' S Long 179° 30' W
Strong breeze in the early and middle parts
latter part moderate gale from E with rain
ship on port tack until 11 A M. after
that on starboard tack

24

Saturday. Moderate gale in the early
and middle parts from S E with rain
latter part strong breeze from S. clear. ship
ship on both tacks.

25

Sunday Latitude 28° 36' S Long 179° 59 E
Commenced with a strong breeze from S S E
middle and latter parts light breeze from
S E. steered N E during daylight. by the
wind on starboard tack at night

26

Monday Lat 28° 28' S Long 179° 48' W
Early part light baffling winds from
S E to N E. middle part light from S E
latter part strong and squally from S E
ship on the starboard tack all day

27

Tuesday Lat 28° 05' S Long 179° 02' W
Strong breeze from S E. and squally
weather. ship on the starboard
tack afternoon and forenoon. port tack
at night

1886
Cruising West

July

28 Wednesday. Lat 27° 58' S. Long 179° 11' W.
Strong breeze from S E. ship on the starboard tack

29 Thursday. Lat 27° 15' S Long 178° 52' W.
Strong breeze from S E ship on starboard tack. sighted a whaler at 10 A M on our lee bow two points. standing toward us

30 Friday. The whaler proved to be the bark Swallow, Mc Innis. 110 barrels sperm oil this cruise. 2800 all told. Capt Mc Innis came on board of the Milton. and the second mate of the Milton went on board the Swallow. (the mate being unwell) and staid the remainder of the day. strong breeze from the East both vessels steering to S W. in the early part. middle part, on port tack. latter part steered W. N. W.

[sketch of
3 mast vessel
Swallow]

31 Saturday. Commenced with a fresh breeze from E. both vessels steering W N W. middle part lay aback on the starboard tack. boat returned from gamming at 9 P M. latter part wind freshened to a moderate gale from N N E with rain. steering W in company with the Swallow

August

1 Sunday. Early part strong breeze from N. with rain. steering W in company with the Swallow. at 7 P M. wind hauled to W in a thunder squall ship by the wind on port tack. latter part strong breeze ship on starboard tack

2 Monday Lat 26° 45' S Long 178° 35' E
Strong breeze from W strong squalls occasionally. wore ship to the N at 3 1/2 P M. on port tack remainder of the day. Swallow in sight

3 Tuesday Lat none, Fresh gale from W and S W. with heavy squalls. ship on port tack

August

4

Wednesday Lat 25° 22' S Long 178° 42' E
Commenced with a fresh gale from S W
wore ship at 1 P M and hauled S S E
wind moderated during the night. wore
ship at 10 P M. latter part strong breeze
from W. wore ship at 10 A M.

5

Thursday Lat 25° 12' S. Long 178° 50' E.
Commenced with a strong breeze from
W S W. ship on starboard tack. during
the night the wind hauled to the S. wore
ship and headed to the westward. with a
moderate gale. latter part strong breeze
ship on port tack. saw killers in A M.

6

Friday Lat 25° 38' S. Long 178° 30' E.
Strong breezes from S in the early part
hauled to the E in the middle part. ship on
port tack first and middle parts steered
S. W. in latter part

7

Saturday Lat 26° 05' S. Long 177° 25' E.
Strong breezes from E to N. hazy weather
steered S W in the first part, by the wind
on starboard tack in the middle part, steered
W by S in the latter part.

8

Sunday Lat 26° 35' S. Long 176° 11' E.
Commenced with a fresh breeze from
N rainy weather. wind hauled to W. at
2 1/2 P.M. and cleared. middle and latter
parts light wind from W. ship on starboard tack.

9

Monday Lat 26° 55' S. Long 175° 55' E.
Light breeze from W. ship on starboard tack

10

Tuesday Lat 27° 28' S. Long 175° 40' E.
Light breeze and fine weather from W
ship on starboard tack until 4 1/2 P M
then ran off to the eastward for a white
water, luffed to at 6 P M on port tack
for remainder of the day

Working West

August

11

Wednesday. Lat 26° 54' S. Long 175° 30' E.
Light breeze from W. very fine weather. ship on port tack

12

Thursday. Lat 26° 05' S. Long 175° 20' E.
First part light breeze from W. tacked ship at
1 P M. tacked again at 6 P M. middle and
latter parts calm. saw a man of war.

13

Friday Lat 26° 12' S. Long 175° 15' E.
Commenced with a light breeze from N E
increasing to a fresh breeze from N in the latter
part. steered S W. in the first part on port
tack in middle part. steered W S W in latter

14

Saturday Lat 26° 32' S. Long 174° 32' E.
Fresh breeze from N in the first part. from N W
in the middle part with rain, from S S W. in the
latter fine weather. steered W S W in first part.
by the wind starboard tack in middle part
port tack latter part.

15

Sunday Lat 26° 40' S. Long 173° 42' E.
Light breeze from S veering to E in the latter
part ship on port tack afternoon and night
steered W by S in the forenoon

16

Monday Lat 26° 30' S. Long 173° 10' E.
Light breeze in the first part from N E. latter part
strong and rainy from N W. first part steered
W by S. middle and latter parts starboard tack

18

Wednesday Lat 27° 28' S. Long 172° 10' E.
Strong breeze from W. ship on starboard tack
until 6 P M. after that on port tack.

19

Thursday Lat 26° 55' S. Long 172° 18' E.
half a gale from W ship on port tack

20

Friday Lat 25° 58' S Long 172° 00' E
Commenced with a strong breeze from
W and ended with a light breeze from
SW wore ship at 6 P M. wore back again
at 7 A M.

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Toward Norfolk Island

August

21

Saturday Lat 25° 45' S. Long 172° 05' E.
Commenced with light breeze from S
ship on the port tack, middle part calm
yards braced up on the starboard tack
latter part light breeze from N. steered
S W

22

Sunday Lat 25° 35' S. Long 171° 48' E.
Moderate breeze from N N W. steered
S W these 24 hours, short sail at night

23

Monday. Lat 26° 30' S Long 170° 48' E
Moderate breeze in the early part from N W.
steered S W. the wind commenced to haul
at sundown hauled with the sun completely
around the compass. stood on both tacks
during the night latter part wind N W
strong steered S W

24

Tuesday Lat 26° 50' S Long 170° 45' E
Wind from W to S W moderate in afternoon
and night. fresh in the forenoon ship on
starboard tack all day

25

Wednesday Lat 28° 02' S. Long 170° 50' E.
Strong wind from W to S. squally ship
on starboard tack until 12 P M. after that
on the port tack

26

Thursday Lat 28° 20' S. Long 170° 24' E.
Early part strong wind from SS W. squally
middle part less wind. latter part light breeze
ship on port tack

27

Friday Lat 27° 50' S. Long 169° 12' E.
Fresh breeze from S W in the early part
tacked ship at 2 1/2 P M on starboard tack
remainder of the day. latter part strong breeze.

28

Saturday Lat 28° 37' S. Long 169° 35' E.
Strong breezes from S W in the early part
S in latter part. ship on starboard tack before
9 P M. after that on port tack

1886
Off and on Norfolk Island

51

August 29 Sunday Lat 28° 38' S. Long 168° 35' E. Commenced with a fresh breeze from S middle part light breeze from S E latter part light from E S E. ship on port tack until 6 P M middle part on starboard tack. latter part stood on the port tack, sighted Norfolk Island at 2 1/2 P M bearing S S W. distant about 45 miles.

30 Monday Lat. ----- Light breezes from E to N and fine weather. stood towards Norfolk Island on the port tack. headed in again in the morning. the land being just in sight from masthead when we went about, being S S E

31 Tuesday. Light breeze from N. ship on the port tack in the afternoon lay aback on both tacks all night, in the morning ran for the island. at about 10 1/2 A M. landed the captain at the town boat stood on shore rest of day took a pilot on board to direct the work of watering etc

Sept 1 Wednesday. Fresh breeze in the afternoon N W. strong at night with rain latter part strong boat came off from landing captain at 4 P M. at 10 A M sent in a raft of 21 casks for water with three boats towing and pilot in charge

2 Thursday half a gale of wind. from S W in latter part. got on board with the raft of empty casks at 2 P M. having failed to fill it it being too rugged at the watering place stove in. two heads and damaged all the chines very badly. so much for having a pilot to engineer the work. after we got the raft on board stood out to south of the island on port tack. during the night, the wind hauled S W. and put us dead to leeward, at daylight land about ten miles distant. remainder of the day beating up

Off and on Norfolk Island

September

3

Friday. Strong squally weather from S W to W. first and middle parts beating up. latter part sent in a boat on the cascade side. very strong weather.

4

Saturday Fresh breezes from W. got off some yams and potatoes. two sheep and various other things from cascades.

5

Sunday. fine weather wind N W first part lay off and on cascades brought off yams. latter part mate went in fishing off Phillip Island

6

Monday Fine weather in the first part wind light from N W. boat returned from fishing at 5 P M caught 15 trumpeters and a few other fish saw bark Swallow off cascades middle part fresher breeze from N latter part half a gale from N E lay off and on the town. got off 4 boats wood

7

Tuesday. Commenced with half a gale from N E. off and on the town until dark took off 4 full loads wood. and two loads bananas, yams and wood. hard work. tore the old jib upper fore topsail, and fore sail. middle part lay on starboard tack blowing a gale from N E with rain. latter part wind moderated and hauled to S W. land bore E at day light about 15 miles off stood toward it bent a new jib and straightened up things generally

8

Wednesday Commenced with a fresh breeze from S W working in to the land. middle and latter parts wind light from S W to N to off two boat loads wood in the A. M.

9

Thursday First part strong wind from N W off and on the town took off 4 boat loads wood and a few pumpkins, and sweet potatoes middle and latter part strong from S W. sent in a boat at cascades in morning

off and on Norfolk Island

September

10

Friday boat came off from shore at 4
P M strong squally weather from S W
latter part mate went fishing at Philip Is

11

Saturday. first part light wind from
S W boat came on board from fishing at 5 1/2
P M. middle part light air from N W

[sketch of
fish]

latter part light breeze from N N E. bark
Alaska arrived. six hundred, 15 m0's out
in the latter part we laid aback and fished off
the N end of the island. caught a fine lot of
fish. trumpeters, groupers and one big fellow
weighing one hundred lbs called a war booka
heavy swell running from S W all day

12

Sunday. Commenced with a fresh breeze
from N E. commenced to rain at 4 P M
breezed on to a gale and hauled to W at
9 P M. latter part fresh gale from W. ship
on both tacks to the northward of the island

13

Monday. Strong gale from W. lay on
both tacks to N of the island.

14

Tuesday Commenced with a strong gale from
W. moderated during the night and hauled
by S W. latter part sent in a boat at the
cascades. weather fine. captain came on
board for a little while

15

Wednesday. Weather fine. wind from S W
by S. in the afternoon two boats went in to
cascades with cloth. in the latter part sent
in one boat

16

Thursday. Wind from S. fresh breeze. got off
two boat loads stuff in the afternoon, which
finished the sundries.

17

Friday Fresh breeze from S to S E
did nothing much during the day but
fish

September

18

Saturday. Fresh breezes from S E. sent in a boat at the cascades in afternoon, and at the town side in the forenoon

19

Sunday Weather fine, wind S E.
Capt came on board at 3 P M ship off the town. stood to the S W on port tack bound to Russell. humpback whales very numerous. tacked ship to the eastward at 2 A M.

20

Monday Light breeze from E S E
tacked to the southward at 1/2 P M
land in sight to the N in the afternoon
out of sight in the morning

21

Tuesday Lat 30° 31' S. Long 167° 40' E.
Light breeze from E N E. ship by the wind
on port tack under all sail. weather very fine

22

Wednesday Lat 31° 54' S Long 168° 24' E.
First and middle parts light breeze from
E N E latter part fresh from N E
stood on port tack under all sail

23

Thursday Lat 33° 13' S. Long 169° 56' E.
Commenced with a strong breeze from N N E
rainy middle and latter parts. ship on
port tack

24

Friday commenced with a half gale from
N with rain. wore ship at 4 P M. during the
night wind moderated and hauled to N W
wore ship and headed to N E at 6 A M
kept off E fro the remainder of the day

25

[sketch of
island]

Saturday Lat 33° 41' S. Long 172° 50' E.
Fresh breeze from W in the early part. to
S W in the latter part. steered E, E S E, S E
and by the wind on starboard tack, raised
land in the vicinity of cape Brett at 6 A M
bearing S. weather fine

Sept. 26 Sunday. Wind moderate from W to S W. beating in towards the bay in the first and middle parts, at the end of the day got in abreast ninepin rock when the wind all died out

27 Monday. Wind breezed up and we arrived at anchor at 5 P M. ___ consul boarded us about half way down the bay. latter part sent in casks for water and got ready to take it

[stamp of an anchor]

Oct 6 Wednesday. have taken 175 barrels water and patched sail for pastime took on board 18 barrels beef 10 barrels flour and 12 sacks potatoes. (irish) we are ready for sea today. no liberty has been given

8 Friday strong weather from N E dead ahead out of the bay. Capt P, wife and baby came on board in the forenoon

10 Sunday. at anchor still today wind S W in the latter part but being S did not get under weigh

11 Monday got underway at 8 A M. calm. hooked on four boats to tow out breeze sprang up from W. at 9 A M hoisted boats. by 12 o'clock had got out of the bay

12 Tuesday Fresh breeze from W S W fine weather. steered N E. by E. and E by N Lat 34° 10'; S. Long 177° 00' E

13 Wednesday Fresh breeze from W fine weather steered E by N. and E

14 Thursday Lat 34° 24' S Long 179° 00' E. Wind from W to N W. fine weather steered E under all sail. plenty of finbacks

New Zealand right whale grounds

October

15

Friday Lat 34° 44' S. Long 178° 46' W.
Fresh breezes from W in the early part
from N N W in the latter part with rains
steered E under all sail. plenty of finbacks

16

Saturday Strong breezes in the early
and middle parts from N with rain
latter part strong from W. clear
steered E all the 24 hours

17

[whale tail
stamp]

Sunday Lat 35° 30' S Long 172° 08' W.
Commenced with a strong breeze from
W. middle part half a gale with squalls
latter part strong and clear from S W
steered E until 3 1/2 P M. when we raised
two right whales off port beam 2 1/2 miles
luffed to the wind and lowered S & W
boats and chased until dark. very rough
water which made bad work for the
boats. could only carry close reefed sail
both boats rudders were wrung badly
whales were working westward slowly saw a
small patch of feed

18

Monday Lat 35° 05' S. Long 171° 57' W.
Fresh breeze from S in the first part.
light in middle part. latter light from E
stood on starboard tack all day saw
a few finbacks

19

Tuesday Lat 35° 00' S Long 171° 00' W
Strong breeze from E with bad sea.
running stood on northern tack until
7 P M. after that on southern tack.

20

[stamp of
whale tail]

Wednesday Lat 35° 35' S Long 171° 05' W,
Strong breeze from N E to E. bad sea
running, during P M. saw two whale ships
to windward stood on port tack all day
at 11 A. M. saw a right whale going to
windward did not lower. plenty of finbacks

New Zealand right whale ground

Oct.

21

Thursday. Lat 36° 20' S Long 170° 40' W
 Strong weather heavy sea. wind N E to N
 lowered for two right whales at 1 P M.
 chased fro about 3 1/2 hours. waist boat
 went along side of one. the whale heard the
 boat and doubled himself. head and flukes
 up. back deep. boatsteerer darted and
 hit the whale, but the iron did not enter
 suppose it struck slack blubber. the
 iron came in bent and pin broken. whales
 went to windward eyes out. boats got on
 board at 4 1/2 P M. at 8 1/2 A M. I saw
 two more whales going to windward
 did not lower. weather bad, saw a whale ship
 to the northward. feed quite plenty
 and finbacks too

22

Friday No observations. Commenced with
 half a gale from N commenced to rain at
 3 P M. wind moderated in the latter part
 to a light breeze from N W. stopped raining
 at 7 A M. foggy the remainder of the day
 ship on both tacks

23

Saturday Commenced with a light breeze
 from N middle part moderate gale with
 rain latter part light breeze. fog and rain
 all day with now and then a break. saw
 a whaling bark supposed to be the Petrel.
 stood on port tack all day

24

[sketch of
 3 mast ship
 "ALASKA"]

Sunday. Light breeze from N W
 foggy in first part. clear in latter part
 in the morning came three whaling barks
 Capt Fisher came on board for a little
 while. saw the Petrel whaling

25

[whale stamp]

Monday. Fresh breeze from W N W
 gamming with the Swallow. just before
 1/2 night got a right whale in company
 got him alongside the Milton at 10 P M. latter
 part cut him in finishing at 11 A M.
 Lat 36° 30' S Long 169° 10' W

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New Zealand right whale ground

Oct

26

Tuesday Lat 36° 25' S Long 169° 00' W
Moderate breeze from N W. saw a
right whale at sunset to the wind
ward. lowered three boats. but it was
too late. commenced boiling at 7 A M.
stood on both tacks

27

Wednesday Lat 36° 08' S Long 169° 07' W
Commenced with a light breeze from
N W. middle and latter parts strong
breeze with rain. from N. cooled down
at 11 P M on account of the rain

28

Thursday Fresh breezes from N W
and W foggy in the early part. finished
trying out at 10 P M

29

Friday Strong breezes from N W with
rain in early part stood on both tacks

30

[sketch of 3
masted ship]

Saturday. Lat 35° 48' S Long 169° 00' W
Blowing a moderate gale from N W to S W
stood on both tacks. gamming with bark
Alaska in the latter part

Nov

1

Monday Lat 35° 20' S Long 169° 40' W
Commenced with a calm. breezed
up from E during the night latter part
strong breeze. steered S W in compa-
ny with Alaska.

2

[sketch of
3 mast ship]

Tuesday Lat 36° 00' S Long 170° 40' W
Fresh breeze from E fine weather saw
the Alaska take a whale at 2 P M. saw
the Petrel. and gammed with the
Swallow all night

3

Wednesday Lat. 36° 00' S Long 171° 00' W
Commenced with a light breeze from E
dying away calm at 12 P M. for the rest of the day

Nov

6

Saturday Lat 36° 00' S Long 170° 10' W.
Strong breeze from S E stood on both tacks
by the wind

7

Sunday Lat 35° 50' S Long 170° 44' W
Commenced with a fresh breeze from S
raised two right whales at 4 1/2 P M on
ships weather bow lowered three boats
and pulled up got up to the whales
about seven. did on succeed in striking
too late during the night. breeze light worked
the ship up under easy sail. saw the whales
again at day light. lowered the boats at 7 A M.
calm and light airs from S E. bark Petrel
in sight to the southward

8

[whale stamp]

Monday Lat 35° 48' S Long 170° 50' W
Light wind in the first part. boats chasing
right whales until 6 P M. when the larboard
boat fastened to one. killed him and towed
him to the ship. got on board at 10 1/2 P M
commenced cutting at 5 A M. finished at 10
A M. moderate breeze from N W. Petrel
in sight

[sketch of
3 mast boat
Petrel]

Tuesday Lat 36° 05' S Long 170° 44' W
Fresh breeze from N W. gamming bark
Petrel from 5 1/2 P M to 12 P M. com-
menced trying out at 6 A M.

11

Thursday
Wind from N W to S W strong. stood
on both tacks. commenced stowing down
at 5 A M in the main hold. starboard
side. finished boiling at 2 P M.

12

[barrel stamp]

Friday. finished stowing and scrubbed
deck by 7 P M. weather strong in the
first and middle parts in the latter
part moderate gale from S stood on
port tack under easy sail, not much
weather to look for whales heavy S W
swells running

60	1886
Nov 13	<p>New Zealand right whale ground</p> <p>Saturday Lat 35° 50' S Long 172° 00' W</p> <p>Strong breeze from S W to N W</p> <p>steered off to the S E in the latter part</p> <p>heavy S W swell</p>
14	<p>Sunday Lat 36° 14' S Long 171° 02' W.</p> <p>Fresh breeze from W steered S E until</p> <p>sundown. by the wind on both tacks</p> <p>at night latter part port steered to the</p> <p>N E saw finbacks and feed. one sail</p>
15	<p>Monday Lat 36° 24' S Long 170° 26' W</p> <p>Fresh breeze from W to N W. fine</p> <p>weather. working south. saw a little</p> <p>feed. no finbacks. scraped bone in</p> <p>latter part and commenced washing</p>
16	<p>Tuesday Lat 37° 52' S Long 170° 10' W</p> <p>Fresh breeze from W very fine weather</p> <p>steered S E in first part. by the wind.</p> <p>on port tack in middle part, latter</p> <p>N E no signs of whales, finished washing bone</p>
17	<p>Wednesday Lat 37° 20' S Long 168° 25' W</p> <p>Light breeze from N W fine weather</p> <p>steering to N E all day. no life except birds</p>
18	<p>Thursday Lay 36° 45' S Long 167° 20' W</p> <p>Light breeze N W. stood on the port tack.</p>
19	<p>Friday Lat 36° 23' S Long 166° 08' W.</p> <p>Light breeze from N W stood on</p> <p>port tack until 5 P M. after that on starboard</p>
20	<p>Saturday Lat 37° 00' S Long 166° 32' W</p> <p>Light breeze from W hauling to S.</p> <p>around to E in latter first and middle</p> <p>parts stood on the port tack. latter part</p> <p>steered W by S. nothing seen these 24 hours</p>
21	<p>Sunday Lat 37° 18' S Long 167° 03'</p> <p>Light breeze from E steered W by S in</p> <p>first part. starboard tack middle part</p> <p>N W. latter part. fine weather. no fish</p>

New Zealand right whale ground

November

22 Monday Lat 36° 50' S. Long 167° 48' W
Fresher breezes from eastward. working west very fine weather no signs of whales

23 Tuesday Lat 36° 25' S. Long 169° 15' W.
Light breeze from E in first part
calm middle part. light breeze in latter part. steered westward

24 Wednesday Lat 36° 18' S. Long 170° 42' W
Fresh breeze from N E and N fine
weather steered west in first part
starboard tack middle part
S W by S. latter part. extremely interesting

25 Thursday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 171° 54' W.
Light wind veering from N to N W in latter part. first part steered S by E
latter part steered S E under all sail

27 Saturday Lat 37° 05' S Long 170° 05' W
Strong southwesterly breezes. heavy sea running, stood on starboard tack previous to 7 P M. after that on port tack.

28 Sunday Lat 37° 40' S. Long 170° 35' W.
Strong S E wind. ship on port tack all day

29 Monday Lat 38° 20' S. Long 171° 23' W.
Light airs all round the compass. stood on port tack first part and middle part working S. saw a whaling bark at daylight cutting saw some feed. latter part calm.

30 Tuesday Lat 38° 40' S Long 171° 33' W
Wind from N E. light in first part
fresh in latter part at 3 1/2 P M. raised a right whale feeding lowered three boats and got him to bow boat. commenced cutting at daylight finished at 7 1/2 A M. about 10 A M. raised another whale. lowered three boats and chased. bark Swallow in sight. boiling. saw her have her boat down

[whale stamp]

December

1

Wednesday Lat 38° 53' S Long 171° 27' W.
 Fresh breeze from N. chased a right
 whale until 4 P M. larboard boat
 went along side of him and missed.
 boatsteerer went in forecastle. at 6 1/2
 A M lowered for two more whales
 chasing remainder of the day. whales
 going quick to South. no feed for
 them here

[whale stamp]

2

Thursday Lat 39° 32' S Long 171° 37' W
 Strong breeze from N. struck a whale
 to bow boat got him alongside at 5 P M
 commenced cutting at day light. finished
 at 10 A M. started try works at same time

3

Friday Lat 39° 55' S Long 171° 20' W
 Fresh breeze from N ship on both tacks
 engaged in boiling

4

Saturday Lat 40° 10' S Long 171° 36' W
 Fine weather wind light from N to S. and W
 engaged in boiling all day

5

Sunday Lat 39° 40' S Long 171° 36' W.
 Finished boiling at 11 P M weather fine
 wind light from various quarters

6

Monday Fresh breeze from N W in
 first part latter part calm gammed
 Swallow from 2 P M. to 10 P M. she is bound
 home soon. wants one more whale she has
 over three thousand barrels of oil now. saw
 bark Petrel. commenced stowing down our
 fare at 5 A M. mail hold. starboard side

7

[sketch of
swallow]

Tuesday Commenced with a calm
 breezed up in middle part from N W
 latter part strong breeze. ship on starboard
 tack. saw barks Swallow and Petrel. finished
 stowing oil on starboard side (100 bbls) at 5 P M
 commenced stowing on port side at 5 A M
 and finished at noon (38 bbls.)

New Zealand fight whale ground

December

- 8 Wednesday Lat 41° 02' S Long 171° 21' W
Strong breeze from W ship on both tacks
saw feed and finbacks and two whale ships
- 9 Thursday Lat 42° 02' S. Long 171° 58' W
Strong breeze from W ship on starboard
tack at daylight. commenced scraping bone
- 11 Saturday Lat 42° 20' S. Long 171° 57' W
commenced with a strong breeze from
W died away calm at sunset. breezed
from N at 12 P M latter part strong
breeze from N heavy southerly swell.
- 12 Sunday Lat 42° 00' S Long 170° 30' W
Strong weather N W wind. rainy and foggy stood
on port tack. saw feed in streaks
- 13 Monday Lat 41° 45' S Long 169° 25' W
Strong wind from N W in first and
middle parts increasing to a fresh
gale from S W in latter part. port tack all day
- 15 Wednesday Lat 40° 25' S Long 168° 00' W
Moderate gale from W to N W squally
ship on port tack. no signs of right whales
- 16 Thursday. Commenced with a moderate
gale from W. middle and latter
parts strong breeze from S W ship
on port tack
- 17 Friday Lat 39° 00' S. Long 167° 44' W
First and middle parts fresh breeze
from W. light in latter part. fine weather
ship on port tack. at 5 A M. started washing bone
- 18 Saturday Lat 38° 00' S. Long 168° 08
Fresh breeze from N W stood on port tack
until 6 1/2 P M. after that stood on star-
board tack. finished washing bone at
5 P M.

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Toward East Cape sperm whale ground

Dec

20

Monday. Commenced with strong
breeze from E raining middle part
same latter part fresh gale S E
rainy. first part steered W. middle and
latter parts hove to on port tack

21

Tuesday Fresh gale from E S E
with rain ship hove to on port tack

22

Wednesday. First part gale abating
and hauling to N E with rain in
squalls. middle part strong and
squally. latter part light breeze
fine weather

23

Thursday. Lat 38° 44' S Long 173° 33' W
First part calm middle and latter
parts strong breeze from S E stood on
starboard tack under easy sail

24

Friday Lat 38° 05' S Long 173° 05' W.
Fresh breeze from E to S S E. first part
steered N W. middle part on starboard tack
latter part steered W N W. at 7 A M
commenced to fish the bowsprit. several
days ago we found it sprung an old
place that started afresh about half way
from Knightsheads to cap

25

Christmas day. Saturday lat 37° 10' S Long 175° 57' W
Wind from S E to S. fine weather steered
W N W and W 1/2 S. at work fishing bow
sprit, during P M. killed hog Jack
for Christmas pork.

26

Sunday Lat 36° 42' S Long 175° 32' W.
Light breezes from S to E steering W 1/2 S
finished the bowsprit at 5 P M

27

Monday Lat 36° 38' S Long 176° 40' W
Light breeze in first and middle parts
from N E. latter part fresh from N. steered
W S W in first part. after that on starboard tack

Cape East sperm whale ground

Dec 28 Tuesday. Lat 36° 40' S Long 178° 02' W.
 Fine weather wind from N W to S E
 stood on Starboard tack until 7 A M
 after that on port tack

29 Wednesday Lat 37° 04' S Long 179° 00' W
 Wind from S E to E fine weather at 5 P M
 raised sperm whales on weather bow
 going south slowly. lowered three boats
 struck one in larboard boat at 7 P M
 got him along side at 11 P M. latter
 part fresh breezes commenced cutting
 at 5 A M

30 Thursday Lat 37° 04' S. Long 179° 22' W
 Fine weather wind E. finished cutting
 and cleared away the case at 8 P M.
 started try works at 5 A M. ship on
 both tacks

31 Friday Lat 37° 27' S. Long 179° 14'W.
 Light breeze from N E. fine weather en-
 gaged boiling. finished junk at 3 A M. and
 started on the body.
 This ends the year 1886. most
 of which time has been spent on
 the N G grounds, during the year
 have seen sperm whales twice
 and right whales ten times
 and taken 330 barrels of oil 106 sperm
 224 whale

Cape East sperm whale ground.

January

1 Saturday Lat 37° 22' S. Long 179° 28' W
Light winds from N E with seasonal
fine rain ship on both tacks. engaged
boiling

2 Sunday weather variable with some rain
wind hauled to S. in latter part and breezed
on to a moderate gale. finished boiling at 9 P M.

3 Monday Lat 37° 34' S Long 179° 14' W
Moderate gale from S E stood on
both tacks

4 Tuesday Lat 37° 14' S. Long 179° 43' W
Strong breezes from S E. squally
weather. commenced breaking out
for stowing down. at day light

5 Wednesday Lat 36° 34' S Long 179° 02' W
Continued strong squally weather
from S E, stowed down 106 barrels
of oil by eight P M. ship on both tacks

6 Thursday Lat 36° 48' S. Long 179° 25' W
about the same weather as yesterday. ship on both tacks

7 Friday Lat 37° 00' S. Long 179° 28' W
Fresh breeze from S E fine weather
ship on both tacks

8 Saturday Lat 37° 05' S. Long 179° 33' W.
Light breezes from E. fine weather ship on
both tacks working toward the E

9 Sunday Lat 37° 05' S. Long 179° 36' W.
First part fresh breeze from E. middle
part light from same quarter. latter part light
from N E ship on both tacks

10 Monday Lay 36° 25' S Long 179° 02' W
Fresh breeze from N E to N W fine weather
at 9 1/2 A M the ship running A Sunder
topsails a courses. raised three or four sperm
whales on port bow. hove ship to on starboard
tack but did not see the whales again

[whale tail stamp]

Cape East ground cruising

Jan

11

Tuesday. Lat 36° 40' S. Long 179° 14' W
 Fine weather from W ship on both tacks

12

Wednesday Lat 37° 02' S. Long 179° 00' W
 Wind W. fine weather. raised sperm
 whales at 5 1/2 P M lowered three
 boats. pulled up one of the boats got
 afoul a whale and gallied him.
 came on board at dark. at 5 A M
 raised large whales again. lowered
 three boats and chased, whales scattered
 to the windward of the ship. breezes light.

13

Thursday Lat 37° 35' S. Long 179° 18' W
 Struck a whale in waist boat. soon
 killed him got him along side at 4 1/2 P M
 larboard and bow boats off chasing another
 whale. they chased him until the boat
 could barely be seen from the ships mast-
 head. dead to leeward the larboard boat
 went alongside of the whale once and missed
 him. went alongside the second time and struck
 the whale stove and capsized the boat and
 went off a little way and lay still. the
 mate sent the bow boat to the whale to
 try to kill him. while he and his crew
 were hanging on to the stoven boat.
 which was very risky. the ship being
 eight or nine miles to windward
 suppose the bow boat had been stoven
 and made helpless. what a fix they all
 would have been in. the third mate used
 all his bomb lances on the whale but did not
 kill him and finally cut from him and
 went to look for the mate and found him
 after dark with his boat right side up. and a
 lantern burning which he managed to start
 if it had not been for the light he would not
 have found him. the ship ran before the wind
 from 5 P M. until 11 1/2 P M. picked the
 boats at 12 P M. the cooper was taken very
 sick with colic when all the work was done

[whale stamp
 with the number
 145 written above
 the whales back]

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Jan		
13	Continued / commenced cutting at day light weather very fine wind from W	
14	Friday while cutting off the head with the scalp bone raised with one tackle the fin chain that was around the scalp parted and let the bone down directly on the mate, carried away the stage and smashed things generally. the mate was badly hurt no bones broken, but very much bruised. the second mate es- caped with a few scratches. there was no one else on the stage. it was a wonder that some one was not killed. the head was a remarkably hard cutting one, and the spades not being very sharp, it made very hard work. we succeeded in getting the head clear. and part of the body in before dark. in the forenoon we hove the body in. wind very light from various quarters. the mate suffers considerable pain. and the cooper is very sick so that we are somewhat crippled	
Lat 15	Friday first part hove in the lard and boiled case. middle part started try works. latter part cutting junk and putting it in tank. very fine weather wind light from E. invalids about the course	
16	Sun Lat 37° 48' S Long 179° 43' W Wind light from N E to N. fine weather engaged boiling body blubber	
17	Monday Lat 37° 40' S Long 179° 12' W Fine weather wind from N to N W engaged boiling. cooper still very sick with severe pains in the bowels. mate improving some but suffers considerable pain. he is well enough to crawl on deck	

East Cape sperm whale ground

January 18 Tuesday continued fine weather wind variable finished boiling at 9 P M. latter part commenced breaking out port side main hold to stow down

19 Wednesday Fine weather wind light and variable with fog squalls now and then engaged stowing down. rather slow work with no cooper. cooper about the same no visible improvement

[barrel stamp]

20 Thursday. weather the same as yesterday finished stowing oil in latter part main hold nearly blocked off. only wants two or three small casks more invalids slowly improving

21 Friday Lat 36° 36' S. Long 179° 03' W Wind light from N E. weather too fine very warm for this lattitude first part finished stowing off. washed decks. got out a new boat from larboard cranes. and took in stoven one. middle part lay aback under lower topsails latter part ran south under main tpsls started fixing, cutting. stage with nothing to do in with. cooper and mate improving

22 Saturday Lat 36° 55' S. Long 179° 12' W Wind E fine weather. stood on southern tack. second mate at work on stage

23 Sunday Lat 37° 42' S. Long 179° 28' W First part fresh breeze from E fine weather. latter part strong breeze from N E with rain in squalls. stood on both tacks finished and put out cutting stage

25 Tuesday Lat 37° 42' S. Long 179° 30' W Light airs from N and E. working north. no improvement in the coopers health. he wants opium all the time. cannot sleep without it

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Toward Norfolk Island

January

26

Wednesday Lat 37° 30' S Long 179° 37' W
light winds from E. steering to N and W
no improvement in the cooper. the
mate slowly recovering his injuries

27

Thursday Lat 37° 00' S Long 179° 46' W
Light winds from N to S E. latter part
calm steered N W by N. these 24 hours
no visible change for the better in the cooper

28

Friday Lat 36° 42' S. Long 180° 00'
Light airs from various points
with spells of calm. working the ship
to the N W. toward Norfolk island

29

Saturday Lat 36° 28' S Long 179° 25' W
Weather same as yesterday

30

Sunday Lat 35° 30' S Long 179° 55' E
Took a breeze from E S E in the early
part which lasted fresh through
the day with squalls of fine rain
steered N W and N W by W under all sail
At 6 1/2 P M raised two large sperm
whales on ships starboard bow 4 points
two miles off. stood towards them a
little while and lowered W. B. I. S.
boats in pursuit. the whales staid
down quite a while when they came
up they were too far away to
be struck. night came on and we
were forced to give them up went aboard
and squared away on our course
cooper no better. the mate slightly better

[whale's tail
stamp]

31

Monday Lat 33° 58' S Long 178° 28' E
First part fresh breeze from E S E with
squalls of drizzle middle part wind
hauling to S latter part to S W with
squalls of drizzle steered N W by W
and W by N. no change for the better
in the cooper he is very sick and will go
on shore at Norfolk Island if he lives long enough

Toward Norfolk Island

Feb

1

Tuesday Lat $32^{\circ} 40'$ S. Long $177^{\circ} 12'$ E
Light baffling winds. with calms

2

[sketch of
scull and
crossbones]

Wednesday Lat $31^{\circ} 55'$ S. Long $176^{\circ} 07'$ E
Light airs from every where. latter
part calm. working west as fast as
possible. At 4 P M. Robert Gibbs
cooper of the ship died. having been
sick since the 13th January. he was
taken with violent pains in the bowels
which lasted about 18 hours and left
him very much prostrated. he suffered
some pain in his right side all
through his sickness. he had great
difficulty in getting sleep and begged
constantly for opium. which the captain
gave him occasionally. in doses as large
as one hundred and twenty drops of
laudanum. The deceased was a native
of Waterford, England and was about
40 years old. the last days of his life
were spent in the deck house. where he
had constant care. At 8 A. M. the
ship was hove to with the maintopsail to
the mast. all hands mustered in the
waist and the body buried in the sea
The ships company have lost a genial
companion and shipmate, as well as a
first class man. for the position he held

4

Friday Lat $32^{\circ} 24'$ S. Long $175^{\circ} 00'$ E
Continued light weather. ship making slow progress

5

Saturday Lat $31^{\circ} 56'$ S. Long $174^{\circ} 20'$ E
Fresh breeze from N E and N. steering W N W
under all sail

6

Sunday Lat $31^{\circ} 05'$ S. Long $172^{\circ} 12'$ E
Fresh breeze from N N W until 9 A. M
when wind hauled to S W and commenced
to rain remainder of the day calm rainy
steered by the wind on starboard tack
when we had a breeze

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7 Monday. Calm in first part. at 6
P M took a breeze from S S E steered
N W by W 1/2 W the rest of the day.
rainy all day in spells

14 Monday Lat 30° 00' S. Long 167° 57' E
The past week has been an extremely dull
one. have had the wind from S E
strong. sometimes blowing moderate
gale. thick overcast weather. not fit
for anything today succeeded in
getting reliable observations
we are waiting for better weather to
touch at Norfolk Island no use to
go there with this weather. mean while
we wait and grumble. and the season
speeds away

17 Thursday Lat 29° 18' S Long 168° 17' E
Have had moderate gale from S E veering
to S W since last writing. today weather
much better. wind S in the morning
steered for the island. at 4 P M. spoke
bark John and Winthrop, Poole. with
a Norfolk Island pilot inbound
she reported 630 barrels oil

18 Friday. First part light breeze from S
middle part calm latter part light
E N E. found ships chronometer wrong
raised land at 10 1/2 A M. 50 miles to
the westward of where we reckoned it to be
[sketch of
land]

19 Saturday Light winds from eastward
steering for the land in first part
laid aback middle part. captain went on
shore at town at 10 A M

20 Sunday First part light winds from
E S E off and on town. took off 3 bags sweet
potatoes and a quarter of beef. middle
part calm. latter part fresh breezes from E S E

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Off and on Norfolk Island

Feb

21

Monday. First part strong breeze from E S E. gamming bark J & W middle part breezing on to a moderate gale in the latter part with rain ship off S W of the island. J & W in sight split foretopsail at 10 A M

22

Tuesday. first part and middle parts moderate gale from E S E. with rain latter part. strong breeze during forenoon bent another lower foretopsail

23

Wednesday First and middle parts strong breeze from E S E raining latter part strong breeze, no rain at 9 A M. took observations and reckoned land to be 40 miles east of us. John and Winthrop in sight all day. first part to windward. latter part to leeward

24

Thursday strong breeze from E sighted land at daylight to wind ward at 10 A M split flying jib

25

Friday fresh breeze from E bent new flying jib. middle part lay to the windward of the island under easy sail, in morning ran in off the town put chief mate ashore to recover his injuries received Jan 13th took on boat load sundry. recruits bark C W Morgan arrived bound north to the arctic. Smith master, John and Winthrop still here, weather fine in latter part

26

Saturday Light weather from E N E ship off town afternoon and forenoon taking off recruits

27

Sunday Light wind from N E first part took off some recruits, latter part ship out south of Philip Island

Towards the middle ground

Feb 28 Monday. Light airs from E to N
with quite a swell. latter part
sent in on boat. bad landing
ship lay off and in south of the islands

March

1 Tuesday. Light wind from N.
off and on town got all stuff off
during A M.

2 Wednesday Light winds from N & E
Captain Peame on board at 6 P M
and we steered S by E the remain-
der of the day. ship four men
one boatheader. one boatsteerer two
foremasthands. Manual Silva was
broken as a boatsteerer but still lives
in the steerage as a ship keeper

3 Thursday. Continued light northerly
wind steering S by E

5 Lat 30° 44' S Long 167° 14' E

6 Sunday Lat 31° 28' S Long 166° 06' E

7 Monday Lat 30° 55' S Long 166° 30' E
Fresh breeze from S E stood on port
tack after 12 P M. before that on starboard

8 Tuesday Lat 31° 00' S Long 166° 30' E
Fine weather fresh breeze from S E
stood on port tack all day

9 Wednesday Lat 32° 06' S Long 165° 45' E
First part fresh breeze from S E
middle and latter parts light breeze from
N E steering S by W

10 Thursday Lat 33° 20' S Long 165° 12' E
Light airs from N and N W
steering S S W

Middle ground

March 11 Friday Lat 33° 45' S. Long 164° 25' E
Fine weather wind north light
steered S by W during 24 hours

12 Saturday Lat 34° 45' S Long 163° 59' E
Commenced with a light breeze from
N and ended with a fresh breeze
fine weather. steering S S W

13 Sunday Lat 35° 50' S. Long 162° 48' E
Fresh breeze from N steered S S W
until 6 1/2 P M then hove to on starboard
tack. wore round at 8 1/2 A M
weather hazy poor seeing

14 Monday. Lat 36° 10' S. Long 162° 16' E
Moderate breeze from N. cloudy
stood on the port tack

15 Tuesday Lat 36° 15' S. Long 163° 03' E
Light wind from N cloudy weather
steered S S E until 4 P M. after
that stood starboard tack. in the
morning took down boat stoven
12 jam's to mend here

17 Thursday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 162° 15' E

19 Saturday Lat 35° 50' S. Long 162° 17' E

20 First part calm middle part breezed
up from N E stood on starboard tack
latter part fresh breeze steered S.

21 Monday Lat 36° 00' S Long 161° 30' E
These 24 hours commenced with a
strong breeze from N N E. latter part
half a gale steered S. until 6 1/2 P M
then hove to on port tack

22 Tuesday Lat 37° 08' S. Long 162° 30' E
Strong breeze from N W stood on
port tack. finished mending the
boat and put her overhead, at 4 P M

Middle ground

March 24 Thursday Lat 36° 38' S Long 164° 35' E
Moderate wind from N W. hazy
weather stood on starboard tack

26 Saturday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 164° 45'E
Commenced with a fresh breeze from N N W
breezed on to a moderate gale in the
middle part. stood on starboard tack

27 Sunday Lat 36° 52' S. Long 163° 40' E
Commenced with a strong breeze
from the N W ship on starboard in middle
part wind breeze3d on to a moderate
gale. wind hauled in latter part to
S. at 7 A M. kept off N W for
the remainder of the day

29 Tuesday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 161° 45' E
First part strong breeze from S E
latter part light breeze overcast
sky

30 Wednesday Lat 36° 10' S Long 161° 20' E
Fine weather. wind N E light stood
on both tacks

31 Thursday Lat 36° 30' S. Long 161° 35' E
Commenced with a fresh breeze from
N E. wind freshened and hauled to
N during the night. latter part strong
stood on port tack

April
2d Saturday Lat 36° 15' S Long 164° 00' E

3 Sunday Lat 36° 00' S Long 163° 27' E

5 Tuesday Lat 34° 55' S. Long 163° 30' E
These 24 hours have had a fresh breeze
from S veering to E S E in middle
part stood on port tack until
8 1/2 A M. then steered W cloudy
weather nothing seen

Middle Ground

April 6 Wednesday Lat 34° 30' S Long 162° 45' E
 Fresh breeze fine weather from E steered west until sundown after that on port tack

8 Friday Lat 35° 07' S Long 161° 40' E
 Light breeze from E very fine clear weather steered W by S. afternoon and forenoon
 T night on starboard tack short sail

9 Saturday Lat 35° 09' S. Long 161° 09' E
 Light breeze from E S E fine weather steered W by S. during daylight.

10 Sunday Lat 35° 27' S. Long 160° 18' E
 Wind and weather the same as yesterday steered W by S until sunset. after that stood on starboard tack.

11 Monday Lat 35° 20' S. Long 159° 32' E
 Light breeze from N weather fine steered W by S. until 4 P M after that. by the wind on starboard tack until 6 P M. wore round for the night under short sail latter part steered E. saw grampuses, sulphur bottom, and porpoises

13 Wednesday Lat 35° 30' S. Long 160° 41' E
 Commenced with a light breeze from S hauling to S E and freshening latter part strong squally weather. ship on starboard tack

14 Thursday Lat 34° 58' S. Long 161° 32' E
 Strong breeze in first part, latter half gale from E. squally stood on starboard tack at 8 A M raised a school of small whales a large number of sows and calves within a quarter of a mile of the ship lowered three boats and used oars waist boat fastened in about 15 minutes larboard and bow boats fastened afterward. the school put off to leeward and soon went out of sight

[whale stamp with number 3 under it]

Middle ground

April 15 Friday Lat 34° 17' S. Long 161° 45' E
Continued strong rugged weather
got the three whales alongside at
2 P M. got ready to cut. hooked on
and tore off the pieces and gave it
up until morning. called all hands
at 5 1/2 A M hooked on again with
the whales to leeward cutting the
remainder of the day. bad sea running

16 Saturday Continued strong, squally
weather from N E. to N. finished
cutting at 2 P M. cleared away the head
by 5 1/2 P M. started try works at
9 A M

17 Sunday Lat 34° 55' S. Long 162° 00' E
Strong breezes from N squally
lay on both tacks, boiling

18 Monday Lat 35° 00' S. Long 162° 20' E
Strong weather from N. squally
stood on port tack. finished boiling
at 12 P M

19 Tuesday. Continued bad weather
the wind hauling from N to S E
had steady rain from 10 P M. to the end

20 Wednesday. Continued bad weather
wind S S E blowing half a gale
very bad cross sea running stood
on starboard tack. saw large
numbers of birds in flocks. a black
kind about the size of a pigeon
had rain the greater part of the day

21 Thursday Commenced with a half
gale from S S E with the ship on star
board tack wore ship at 4 1/2 P M wind
increased to a gale at dark. during
the night the wind hauled to S W and
blew heavily until 9 A M. when it
moderated

Off and on Norfolk Island

April

22 Friday Lat 34° 20' S. Long 164° 10' E
34° 20' L
Commenced with moderate weather from S W heavy swell running steering N N E. pumped ship in the day watch and found considerable water in the ship it took an hour and a half to free her with one pump at day light started breaking out fore hold starboard side ready for oil found 9 middle tier casks rotten put the oil in the ground tier(65 barrels)

23 Saturday. These 24 hours have had a strong breeze from S E heavy swell running finished stowing off at 10 A M. filled middle tier with salt water rain showers occasionally

24 Sunday. Lat 31° 40' S. Long 165° 48' E

May 6 Friday. Since last writing we have had moderate weather from S and E for the most part on the 26th of April we sighted Norfolk Island on the 28th made a launching. At 5 P M today made sail and left the island. took some recruits on board, potatoes, bananas, and so forth. the mate came on board and resumed duty. bound from Norfolk Island to the Bay of Islands

7 Saturday Lat 29° 48' S. Long 168° 34' E
Commenced with a fresh breeze from N N E middle part came on strong squally weather with rain latter part strong breeze steered E S E bound to the Bay

8 Sunday Lat 30° 58' S Long 170° 12' E
Commenced with a strong breeze from N E middle part moderate gale with rain latter part light breeze from E course E S E

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Toward the Bay

May 9 Monday Lat 31° 38' S. Long 170° 40' E
Light winds from E to N with a heavy
S E swell course E S E

10 Tuesday Lat 32° 14' S. Long 171° 00' E
Moderate breezes from N to N W
with a large head swell course E S E
commenced washing the ship with lye
after breakfast

11 Wednesday Lat 32° 40' S, Long 172° 10'E
Moderate breezes from N W to W
steering S E by E

12 Thursday Lat 33° 32' S. Long 173° 20' E
Fresh breezes from W N W course
S E by S at day break sighted land
in the vicinity of Cape Brett.
Cavalli Island bearing S by E
20 miles

[sketch of
island]

13 Friday. Commenced with fine
weather. light breeze from N W
ship heading the in bay under all
sail. came to anchor at 3 1/2 P M
found two whale ships at anchor
off Russell. the Horatio and Niger
middle and latter parts squally
and rainy weather from N.
started washing ship outside at 8 A M

[stamp of
an anchor]

14 Saturday. These 24 hours have
had strong squally weather from
N in the first part finished
washing ship in the latter part
started tarring down. got a
cooper from Kits Kits

15 Sunday. weather the same as yesterday

16 Monday continued squally weather
broke out shooks to set up

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May 17 Tuesday. weather fine from S W
cooper setting up shooks and
the rest getting ready to take out
bowsprit preparatory to putting
in a new one

June 25 Saturday Since last writing the ship
has been lying at anchor at Russell
have done considerable work. the weather
has been bad. plenty of rain. we tarred
down fore and aft. put in a new bow
sprit shipped 620 bbls oil by German
bark Rud Josephy set up shooks
to replace casks sent home. took
six hundred barrels fresh water
painted ship outside. gave two days
liberty to each watch took wood
and provisions, at 8 A M today
got under way to go out with a
light air from S. two boats ahead towing
six of our men ran away and were
all caught. one (the cook) was very near
dead when found, from exposure and
hunger. he was discharged and the
4th mate too. shipped a cook. and
a fourth mate

26 Sunday. These 24 hours have had
light winds from various quarters
with rain occasionally. at 12 m. wind
came from N E. called the boats aboard
the ship being off the Black rocks
wore ship around and ran back
and anchored off Tarpekka point
at 1 1/2 P M. lay at anchor the remain
der of the day

27 Monday Commenced with light variable
winds ship at anchor off Tarpekka point
middle part the same. latter part light
breeze from W S W. got under way at
sunrise and at 12 P M we were
well out of the mouth of the bay
weather fine

Vasques Ground

June 28 Tuesday. Fresh breezes from N W to S W. steered to the northward and eastward under easy sail

29 Wednesday Lat 33° 05' S. Long 176° 20' E
Commenced with strong squally weather from S W. middle part half a gale ship hove to on port tack under lower main topsail latter part weather some what better course N N E

30 Thursday Lat 31° 55' S. Long 176° 40' E
Strong squally weather from E to S courses N by E and N E by N.

July

1 Friday Lat 30° 20' S. Long 177° 37' E
Strong squally weather from S E course N E

2 Saturday Lat 28° 55' S Long 179° 15' E
Fine weather during this day. wind fresh from S S E. steered N E and N E by E. saw a number of finbacks

3 Sunday Lat 27° 48' S. Long 178° 30' W
Strong breeze from S S E course N E by E

4 Monday Lat 26° 42' S. Long 176° 20' W
Strong breeze with heavy squalls from S E. steered N E by E until 6 P M then put her under lower topsails on starboard tack for the remainder of the day. so ends the **Glorious**
Fourth

5 Tuesday Lat 26° 03' S. Long 175° 37' W
Fresh breeze from S E fine weather

6 Wednesday Lat 26° 15' S. Long 176° 15' W
Fresh wind from S E fine weather
stood on both tacks no life seen
watches busy overhauling boat tackles
and reeming new falls of 2 1/2 in rope.

		Vasques Ground
July	7	Thursday Lat 25° 55' S. Long 176° 16' W Fine weather wind from E stood on both tacks
	9	Saturday Lat 26° 25' S. Long 176° 12' W Light breeze from N E hauling to W during the night. fine weather stood on both tacks
	11	Monday Lat 26° 15' S. Long 175° 32' W Commenced with a strong breeze from S S W moderating to a light breeze in the latter part. ship by the wind on both tacks.
	12	Tuesday These 24 hours commenced with a light breeze from S W and ended with a strong one from same quarter weather fine. saw a whale ship to windward supposed to be the California
	13	Wednesday Lat 25° 35' S. Long 175° 46' W Fresh breezes from S. squally. stood on the port tack. ship California in sight to the westward
	14	Thursday Lat 25° 00' S. Long 176° 30' W Fresh breeze from S. occasional light squalls. stood on the port tack until 3 P M. then on the starboard the remainder of the day. the California went out of sight to the westward at 4 P M
	15	Friday Lat 25° 24' S. Long 175° 43' W Light wind from S to E. stood on both tacks
	16	Saturday Lat 25° 26' S. Long 175° 14' W Commenced with a light breeze from N E increasing to a strong one in the latter part from N. steered S during the afternoon. on port tack at night. steered S E in the forenoon
	17	Sunday Lat 26° 00' S. Long 176° 00' W Commenced with half a gale from N had heavy squalls during the night wind hauled to W steered S W until sunset after that on port tack

July

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Monday Lat 26° 16' S. Long 174° 56' W
These 24 hours have had fine weather
with a fresh breeze from W stood on
both tacks nothing transpires worthy of note

19

Tuesday Lat 26° 34' S. Long 175° 25' W
Continued fine westerly weather
cruising by the wind. chill music

21

Thursday Lat 27° 15' S. Long 175° 35' W
Blowing a gale from W
ship on the port tack

23

Saturday Lat 25° 55' S. Long 175° 25' W
Strong squally weather from W to N W
stood on both tacks and so ends the day

25

Monday Lat 26° 12' S. Long 175° 56' West
Commenced with a strong breeze from N
hauling to N W and breezing on to a
gale in middle part stood on
starboard tack

27

Wednesday Lat 26° 44' S. Long 176° 46' W
Fresh breeze from W heavy swell
running stood on port tack. at 9 A M
raised breaches on lee bow 3 miles off
at 11 raised spouts on lee beam
made them out sperm whales
lowered three boats at 11 3/4 and chased

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Thursday Lat 25° 50 S. Long 176° 45' W
Commenced with fresh breeze from
W hauling to S E in the latter part
weather fine but a heavy swell running
three boats away chasing sperm whale
at 5 1/2 P M. bow boat struck a whale
the other two boats chased off after the school
to the leeward larboard boat struck a
whale, one whale staid around the first one
and was inclined to fight. the waist boat
pulling up to the fast boat the loose whale
went for him and knocked the boat S with his
head. stove and capsized the boat and made a

[whale stamp]

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mess generally. the larboard boat parted her line and picked up the remains of the waist boat got on board with the wreck at 9 P M. one whale this day to bow boat at daylight started cutting finished at noon saw breeches did not find out what they were

29 Friday Lat 25° 38' S. Long 176° 19' W these 24 hours have had a moderate breeze from E ship on port tack after breakfast put out a boat for waist cranes, and started try works at daylight sighted ship Horatio on weather quarter. she ran down to us and Capt Morse came on board for a little while had seen whales twice since leaving the bay and taken 50 barrels

30 Saturday Fresh breeze from E fine weather lay on both tacks boiling ship Horatio in sight

31 Sunday Lat 25° 58' S. Long 176° 45' W These 24 hours have had fresh breeze from E to N E ship on starboard tack finished trying out at 4 P M. Capt Morse and Lady of Horatio came on board at 9 A M. commenced raining at 10 A M

August

1 Monday Wind light from N E in first part with rain. middle part strong from W latter part the same. stood on port tack in company with Horatio. Capt M, and wife returned at 6 P M. commenced stowing down at 7 A M. in fore hold port side

2 Tuesday Lat 25° 35' S. Long 176° 58' W These 24 hours have had strong weather from S W hauling to S E in middle stood on port tack Kept off S W at 7 A M in company with Horatio. finished stowing down at 6 P M 45 barrels

[barrel stamp
with number 45]

August

3

Wednesday Lat 26° 04' S. Long 178° 13' W
Light winds commencing from E and
hauling to N W in latter part. steered
W by the wind on port tack at night
ship Horatio in company with us

4

Thursday Lat 26° 10' S. Long 178° 44' W
Commenced with a light breeze from W
latter part strong breeze from S.
the Horatio went out of sight at sundown

5

Friday Lat 26° 18' S. Long 179° 20' W
Strong squally weather from the S.
working to the westward

6

Saturday Lat 26° 00' S. Long 179° 18' E
Light winds from S E to S W fine
weather, working the ship to the westward

7

Sunday Lat 25° 38' S. Long 178° 34' E
Light winds and calm fine weather

9

Lat 26° 04' S. Long 177° 30' E

10

Lat 25° 35' S. Long 177° 12' E

11

" 25° 00' S. " 176° 33' E

13

Saturday Lat 25° 24' S. Long 176° 05' E
Since last writing have had strong
breezes for the most part from W to S.
working the ship to the westward

14

Sunday Lat 25° 18' S. Long 174° 50' E
Strong breeze from S E course S W

15

Monday Lat 25° 35' S. Long 173° 45' E
Fresh breeze from S E course W S W

16

Thursday Lat 26° 35' S. Long 171° 27' E
Fresh breeze from E course W S W

August 17

North of Norfolk Island
 Wednesday Lat 26° 56' S. Long 169° 28' E
 Strong breeze from E N E commenced
 to rain at 4 P M. steered W S W
 until 3 1/2 P M luffed to on starboard
 tack wore round at 11 P M rainy

20 Saturday since last writing have
 had blowy, rainy weather from E
 ship on both tacks under easy sail
 nothing of importance happening

22 Monday Lat 26° 25' S. Long 168° 03' E
 Sun' and Mon weather fine. wind E
 fresh stood on both tacks by the wind

23 Tuesday Lat 27° 27' S. Long 167° 43' E
 [sketch of
 mast & sails] Moderate breeze from E S E fine weather
 sighted a whale ship at 9 A M
 supposed to be the California

24 Wednesday Lat 27° 88' S. Long 167° 51' E
 Moderate breeze from S E fine weather
 stood on starboard tack. California
 went out of sight to the westward at sun-
 down

25 Thursday Lat 26° 28' S Long 168° 50' E
 Strong breeze from S E stood on star-
 board tack until 6 P M. then tacked

26 Friday. Strong S E weather stood
 on both tacks

27 Saturday Lat 26° 59' S Long 167° 16' E
 Continued strong winds from S E
 the vessel on both tacks

28 Sunday Lat 27° 13' S. Long 167° 20' E
 Fresh breeze from S E fine weather
 stood on the port tack

29 Monday Lat 28° 18' S. Long 166° 30' E
 Fresh breeze from E fine weather
 stood on both tack working up to
 Norfolk Island

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August 30

Off and on Norfolk Island
Tuesday Lat 29° 45' S. Long 166° 38' E
Continued fine weather from E
ship under all sail working up

31

Wednesday Lat 28° 52' S. Long 167° 05' E
Fresh breeze from E ship on both tacks
working up toward Norfolk Island

Sept

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[sketch of
island]

2

saw a whale ship to leeward.

Thursday Lat 29° 20' S. Long 167° 30' E

Continued fresh breeze from N E
saw Norfolk Island at 10 A M bearing
E by N dist 40 miles

3

Friday Lat 29° 15' S. Long 167° 50' E
Fresh breezes from N E to N W fine weather
working up toward Norfolk. two ships
off and on island

3

Saturday Off and on Norfolk. Landed
the Captain and lady at 10 A M at town
the ships California and Horatio
lying off and on too. wind from N W fresh

4

Sunday Wind from N W to W S W
half gale in latter part boat returned
at 3 P M ship Horatio left the island

5

Monday Wind from W S W. bolwing
a moderate gale. ship lying off N W
of the island. latter part took in the
jib to mend ship California in
sight to windward

6

Tuesday Fresh breeze from S W
finished and put out the jib

10

Saturday since last writing the weather
has been strong yesterday and today
the weather has been better wind from W
starboard watch have had two days
run. the port went on theirs this morn

Sept 15

[sketch of
waist boat
hanger]

Off and on Norfolk Island
Thursday since last entry the weather
Sun, Mon Tues, was fine. the port watch
returned Monday at noon. the mate came
on board Tuesday. Wednesday the weather
came on rainy from E. with a rapidly
falling barometer. today the wind increas-
ed to a violent gale at 10 P M. at 12 P M
lost the waist boat with all her gear
the ship being hove to on starboard
tack under lower main topsail and
foretopmaststay sail the land being to the
south of us. Before daylight the wind
fell to a strong breeze. ship on port
tack after 1 A M.

16 Friday. Commenced with a light
breeze from S and E heavy swell
running rainy weather. during
the night wind backed to S W
and blew a moderate gale for the
rest of the day ship hove to on both
tacks

17 Saturday Lat 28-30 S. Long 167° 30
These 24 hours have had a stiff gale
from S W lay to under storm canvas
on both tacks

18 Sunday Blowing a fresh gale from S W
lay to on both tacks took observations
and found the land bearing S S E
25 miles dist. weather rainy in _____

19 Monday Light wind from S W
and squally weather land bearing S by E
40 miles dist.

20 Tuesday. Light baffling wind from S and W
working up to the land as fast as possible
land in sight to the windward

21 Wednesday first part light wind
from S W middle part fresh breeze
latter part strong working up to the
land bad sea running

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Toward right whale ground

Sept 22 Thursday Commenced with strong breeze from S W middle part fresh from W latter part light from W N W sent a boat in at Cascade Bay at 9 A M

23 Friday. Light breeze in the first part from W N W. middle and latter parts fresh breeze from same quarter The Captain and family came on board at 5 P M. Steered E by S. the remainder of the day under all sail

24 Saturday Fresh breeze from W N W to S W. with rain in the latter part Steered E by S for right whale ground

25 Sunday Lat 30° 15' S. Long 172° 45' E Strong breeze from W N W course E S E a sea stove in gangway board at 6 A M

26 Monday Lat 31° 30' S. Long 174° 57' E Fine weather wind variable from W S W to N N W steered E S E. wind light in the night. fresh in afternoon and forenoon

27 Tuesday Lat 32° 18' S. Long 176° 40' E Strong breeze from N W to N. with rain showers in latter part. course E S E

28 Wednesday Fresh breeze from W fair weather. course E

29 Thursday Lat 34° 05' S Long 178° 27' West Continued fair weather from W fresh breeze course East

30 Friday Lat 34° 28' S. Long 175° 30' W Fine weather wind W course E 1/2 S.

October 1 Saturday Lat 34° 53' S. Long 173° 28' W Fine weather wind from N N W course E 1/2 S.

New Zealand Right Whale Ground

Oct 2 Sunday Lat 35° 40' S. Long 171° 25' W
Wind from N weather squally steered
S E until dark then came to on starboard
tack for the night. in the morning kept off
S S W

3 Monday Lat 36° 22' S. Long 171° 45' W
These 24 hours have had variable weather
rainy breeze sometimes light sometimes fresh
steered S S W until 7 P M. on port tack
the rest of the day. no signs of right whales
at 7 A M took down a new boat for the larboard
cranes to replace one lost Sept 15

4 Tuesday Lat 36° 35' S. Long 171° 08' W
Light breeze for the most part with
an occasional rain squall. Lay on the
port tack under short sail

5 Wednesday Lat 36° 32' S Long 170° 30' W
Commenced with light breeze from N W
squally weather. during the night it breezed
on to a stiff gale with rain which lasted
the remainder of the day. ship on port tack

6 Thursday. Blowing a moderate gale from S W
ship hove to under storm sails

7 Friday. Strong breeze from S W
squally weather. lay on the port tack.

8 Saturday Lat 34° 50' S. Long 170° 33' W
This day began with fresh breeze from S W the
wind gradually dying away to a light air
from S in latter part. stood on both tacks

9 Sunday. Lat 34° 37' S. Long 170° 39' W
Calm in the first part. middle and latter
parts light breeze from N E stood on port tack
put out a new larboard boat on waist cranes
to replace the one lost off Norfolk Island Sept 15
the one that was lost was the larboard boat being
hoisted on the waist cranes on the 28th July. it
being more convenient to put her there at the time

[sketch of
new larboard
boat]

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Oct 10 New Zealand right whale ground
Monday. Lat 35° 08' S. Long 170° 20' West
Strong breeze from N E with fine rain during
the night. stood on the port tack all day

11 Tuesday Lat 36° 18' S. Long 169° 45' W
Strong breeze from N E stood on port
tack weather rainy in squalls
saw a whale ship to the leeward

[sketch of
mast with sails]

12 Wednesday Lat 37° 12' S Long 169° 40' W
Commenced with a light breeze from N E
hauled to N W at sundown strong squalls
during the night latter part strong breeze
from S W. gammed with the ships Niger
and Horatio. their masters came on
board of us for a little while
no right whales have been seen by them

[sketch of a
3 masted
vessel with
sails]

13 Thursday Commenced with a strong
breeze from S W squally. middle part
light air from S E. latter part fresh
from N E. gamming with ship Horatio
Morse in the latter part

[sketch of a
3 masted
vessel with
sails]

14 Friday. First part fresh breeze
breezing on to a moderate gale in latter
part from N W stood the port tack
after 2 P M. skipper came on board
from the Horatio at 6 P M. Niger in sight

15 Saturday gale moderated in early
part of the day to a strong breeze
for the rest of the day. air hazy bad seeing
stood on port tack. Horatio to the windward

16 Sunday Lat 36° 25' S. Long 167° 30' W
Strong breeze from N W stood on port
tack. ships Niger and Horatio in sight
weather thick and bad seeing

17 Monday Lat 35° 20' S Long 167° 21' W
Continued strong weather from N W hazy
stood on the port tack until 6 P M after that
on starboard tack. ships N and H in sight

Oct 18 [sketch of 3 masted ship under sail] New Zealand Right Whale Ground
 Tuesday Lat 35° 45' S. Long 167° 50' W
 Strong breeze fro N W stood on both tacks. Niger in sight, gamming with her in the latter part. saw a little feed and a few finbacks. Saw a ship to leeward supposed to be the California going to the eastward.

19 Wednesday Lat 35° 50' Long 167° 43' W
 Continued strong breeze from N W hauling to S W in latter part. stood both tacks. gammed ship Niger in first part

20 Thursday Lat 36° 10' S Long 167° 54' W
 Commenced with a fresh breeze from S W. hauling to S. calm middle and latter parts. stood on western tack. saw some feed and finbacks. caught a right whale porpoise in day watch. first one this voyage

[whale stamp] 21 Friday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 168° 15' W
 Fresh breeze from N W. stood on starboard tack saw feed and finbacks

22 Saturday Lat 36° 06' . Long 169° 04' W
 Strong breeze from N. raised a right whale at noon. lowered three boats and chased until dark. the whale was dodging around in all directions the boats could keep no no run of him. saw finbacks and feed. saw a whale bark to windward heading to the eastward

[whale tail stamp] 23 Sunday Strong weather from N. hazy air saw feed and finbacks. stood on both tacks

24 Monday Light breeze and calm with fog in spells saw blackfish, porpoises, and finbacks

25 Tuesday Calm weather with fog in first part clear latter part saw finbacks and feed

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Oct 26	N Z right whale ground Wednesday. Lat 36° 30' S. Long 168° 52' W Light breezes from various points. and calm part of the time. worked the ship north. plenty of feed seen and finbacks, commenced painting the three larboard boats at 8 A M.
27	Thursday Lat 36° 08' S. Long 168° 58' W Commenced with a fresh breeze and end- ed with a strong breeze from E stood on both tacks some feed and finbacks seen
28	Friday Strong breeze from E steered W in the first part by the wind on both tacks after that feed and finbacks seen. sighted a whaling bark to wind- ward at daylight. boiling. Lat 36° 08' Long 169° 26
29	Saturday Lat 35° 35' S. Long 169° 43' W Fresh breeze from E S E. raised two
[whale tail stamp]	right whales at 3 1/2 P M lowered three boats and chased until dark no success. at 9 1/2 A M roused another one lowered three boats in pursuit. the bark to windward in sight boiling
30	Sunday. Struck a whale to waist boat got him alongside at 3 P M. hooked on and finished cutting at 10 P M Strong breeze from E. rough water
[whale stamp]	
31	Monday Lat 35° 45' S. Long 170° 04' W Strong wind from E stood on both tacks engaged boiling the whale. a bark in sight to windward
Nov 1	Tuesday Commenced with half a gale from E veering to S E in the middle part with rain. cooled down try works at 4 A M on account of bad weather
2	Wednesday Blowing a moderate gale from S E veering to W lay to on starboard tack. started try works at 8 A M. saw two other whale ships

New Zealand right whale ground

November

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Thursday Lat 35° 30' S Long 169° 24' W
 Blowing a moderate gale from W ship on
 both tacks finished boiling at 5 P M

4

Friday Commenced with a gale from W
 moderating to a strong breeze in latter
 part stood on both tacks. started
 stowing down at daylight. two or three
 whalers in sight to windward

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Saturday Lat 35° 08' S. Long 168° 43' W
 Fresh breeze from W to S W stood on
 both tacks. saw two whalers

6

Sunday Lat 35° 35' S Long 169°
 Fresh breeze from W stood on both
 tacks. saw a right whale at 4 P M
 lowered three boats and chased with no
 success. lowered again for a whale at
 9 A M got him to bow boat got along
 side at 11 1/2 A M. saw a bark to leeward

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[sketch of
ship]

Monday Lat 35° 30' S Long 168° 30' W
 Commenced with a strong breeze freshening
 to a gale by 4 P M. moderated in latter part
 lay on both tacks. finished cutting the whale
 at 10 1/2 P M. latter part gamming bark
 John & Winthrop, Poole master

8

Tuesday These 24 hours commenced with light
 breeze from S W. strong in latter part
 stood on both tacks. started try works at
 8 P M. bark J & W in sight

9

Wednesday Lat 35° 20' S. Long 169° 02' W
 These 24 hours have had strong
 breeze from N W. stood on both
 tacks. watches busy boiling saw
 two whale ships.

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Nov 10 N. Z. Right whale ground
Thursday Lat 35° 35' S. Long 169° 24' W
Commenced with a strong breeze from
N W. hauled to S. in middle part
with rain. latter part fresh breeze
fine weather finished boiling at 1 P M

11 Friday Lat 35° 25' S Long 169° 46' W
Fresh breeze from S. hauling to E. stood
on port tack saw hundreds of fin-
backs and acres of feed. commenced
stowing down at 5 A M. bark John &
WInthrop in sight astern

12 Saturday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 170° 34' W
Strong breeze from E overcast sky
stood on both tacks. saw finbacks
in first part. none in latter part
plenty of feed all day

13 Sunday Lat 36° 12' S. Long 170° 37' W
Commenced with a strong breeze
from N.E latter part fresh breeze
from N with fog stood on port
tack. feed and finbacks abundant

14 Monday. first part light breeze
with fog from N. latter part light
wind stood on port tack. first
part saw finbacks and feed
in the latter part nothing seen

15 Tuesday Lat 36° 52' S. Long 169° 59'W
Calm in first part. light breeze in
middle and latter parts. lowered four
boats at 8 1/2 A M. for blackfish
got five. waist boat two. the other boats one
each

[5 whale
stamps]

16 Wednesday First part fresh breeze
from N E with fine drizzle. latter part
strong breeze. stood on both tacks
feed and finbacks in latter part

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Nov 17 Lat 36° 38' S. Long 170° 19' W
Strong breeze from N with now and
then a rain shower. stood on the
starboard tack. started trying
out blackfish at 7 A M. had to cool
down on account of rain plenty of
feed and finbacks seen

18 Friday Lat 36° 18' S. Long 171° 10' W
Fresh breeze from N W. & N. finished
trying out 4 barrels blackfish oil. feed
and finbacks in abundance

19 Saturday Lat 36° 22' S. Long 171° 03' W
fresh and light breeze from N W
steered off S in latter part saw
blackfish

20 Sunday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 170° 44' W
Commenced with fresh breeze from N W
squally. middle part wind hauled
to S. and breezed on to a gale. steered
S. until sundown after that on port tack

21 Monday. Moderate gale in first part
from S S W lay on port tack. strong
breeze. feed and finbacks plentiful

22 Tuesday Lat 36° 24' S. Long 171° 00' W
Fresh breeze in first part from S W
light in latter part. stood on the
starboard tack saw blackfish
finbacks and feed. commenced scrub-
bing bone at day light

23 Wednesday Lat 36° 45' S. Long 170° 13' W
Light breeze in first and last parts
calm in middle part. ship on both
tacks at 9 A M raised two right whales
lowered three boats and chased

[whale tail stamp]

Nov 24 Thursday. First part light breeze from N N W
middle part fresh. latter part strong
chased two right whales until 8 P M
with no success lack of wind appeared
to be the trouble. whales working westward

25 Friday. First part blowing a moderate
gale from N with rain. wind hauled to
S W in the night. at 10 A M came on
a strong gale from S S W with heavy
squalls lay on port tack middle and
latter parts. under storm sails

26 Saturday. Blowing a stiff gale from S S W
with heavy squalls. ship hove to on port
tack under storm canvas

27 Sunday Continued gale from S W
moderating in latter part. lay on port
tack. wore ship at 7 A M. and made
some sail

28 Monday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 170° 06' W
These 24 hours have had a moderate
breeze from S W veering to N W in
latter part. stood on starboard tack
by the wind nothing seen during the day

29 Tuesday Lat 36° 50' S. Long 170° 24' W
Wind fresh from W hazy weather
stood on starboard tack

Dec 1 Thursday Lat 38° 30' S. Long 169° 48' W
Fresh breeze from S W fine weather
stood on starboard tack

2 Friday Lat 39° 08' S. Long 169° 06' W
Commenced with a fresh breeze from W.
middle and latter parts strong. stood
on starboard tack

3 Saturday Lat 39° 52' S. Long 168° 48' W

Toward Cape East sperm whale ground

Dec

6 Tuesday. Since last writing we have had variable weather. had a heavy gale from S W Sunday A M. today a moderate gale from N with rain have worked the ship W. saw black fish this day and feed no appearance of right whales. the season is evidently done

7 Wednesday Lat 39° 56' S. Long 170° 55' W Commenced with a fresh breeze from N N W. wind breezed on strong and hauled to S W at 4 P M. latter part light breeze from E. heavy swells running from S. stood on port tack after 4 P M saw finbacks in the foremorn. the mate cut out a new boat sail for himself

8 Thursday Lat 39° 30' S. Long 171° 10' W Moderate breeze from S to S E stood on port tack

9 Friday Lat 38° 38' S. Long 172° 39' W Fresh breeze from E S E course N W by W

10 Saturday Lat 37° 48' S. Long 173° 44' W Fresh breeze from E S E course N W by W

11 Sunday 36° 25' S. Long 175° 34' W Strong breeze from E. with rain two hours in the morning. otherwise pleasant weather. course N W by W and W

12 Monday Lat 35° 48' S. Long 177° 32' W Strong breeze from E S E steered west until 7 P M after that on port tack

13 Tuesday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 178° 42' W Strong breeze from S E. stood on the port tack until 7 P M. after that on starboard

14 Wednesday Lat 36° 30' S. Long 178° 36' W Fresh breeze in the first part dying away to a light breeze in latter part from S E

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Cape East sperm whale ground

December

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Thursday. Lat 36° 15' S. Long 178° 38' W
Calm in the first part. latter part fresh
breeze from W. stood on the starboard tack
spring the maintopgallant yard hoisting
it up in the morning

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[sketch of
mast & rigging]

Friday Lat 36° 58' S. Long 179° 02' W
Fresh breeze from westward stood on
both tacks. sent down the main top-
gallant yard in the morning

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Saturday Lat 37° 40' S. Long 179° 07' W
First part strong breeze from W N W
middle part light. fine weather
sighted a whale ship at 10 A M
at 9 A M sent up a new main top-
gallant yard and painted it.

18

[sketch of
ship under
sail]

Sunday. Commenced with a strong
breeze from S E dying away. light
in the latter part. gammed ship
Niger from 1 P M until 5 p M. 400 bbls
whale oil this season. saw a whaling
bark to windward

19

[sketch of
ship under
sail]

Monday Lat 37° 32' S. Long 179° 20' W
Light breeze in first part from S E
middle part calm. latter part light
wind from N. gamming with ship Niger
in the latter part. saw grampuses

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[whale stamp]

Tuesday Lat 37° 12' S Long 179° 08' W
Moderate breezes from N & N W very fine
weather first part gammed with ship
Niger. in the morning at 6 1/2 A M
raised sperm whales. the Niger lowered
four boats and we lowered ours and
chased the remainder of the day. the
whale moving to the S E

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Wednesday Lat 37° 35' S Long 178° 45' W
Fresh breeze from N W fine whaling weather
chased a sperm whale to the S E in company
with Niger. the N's mate struck him. took him along

side the N. latter part saw her cutting
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Cape East sperm whale ground

Dec

22

Thursday Lat $38^{\circ} 10'$ S. Long $178^{\circ} 54'$ W

First part light breeze from N W latter
part fresh breeze from same quarter
stood on both tacks. gammed bark

[sketch of
3 masted
ship under sail]

John & Winthrop from 4 P M. until 10
just from Cape East. eight of her
men stole a boat Monday night
started for the land, but the ship
overhauled them. saw the Niger cutting

23

Friday Lat $38^{\circ} 15'$ S Long $178^{\circ} 51'$ W

These 24 hours have had a light
breeze from N W fine weather stood on
both tacks. the Niger in sight, boiling

24

Saturday Lat $37^{\circ} 32'$ S Long $177^{\circ} 16'$ W

Fresh breeze from N W. fine weather. stood
on both tacks by the wind in company with
the Niger

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Sunday Lat $37^{\circ} 50'$ S. Long $177^{\circ} 58'$ W

Fresh breeze from N W stood on both
tacks in company with the Niger

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Monday Lat $38^{\circ} 10'$ S Long $178^{\circ} 38'$

Strong N W wind stood on both tacks
the capt went on board the Niger in
the morning the whale turned up 130 bbls
we will take out shore when the weather moderates

27

Tuesday Lat $37^{\circ} 35'$ S Long $177^{\circ} 00'$ W

Strong breeze from N W. stood on both tacks
in company with ship Niger

28

Wednesday. first part strong breeze from W

hauling to S in middle part. latter part
light breeze. took share of oil from the N in the
latter part. and started stowing it

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	Cape East sperm whale ground
Dec 29	<p>Thursday Lat 37° 20' S Long 178° 00' W First part calm. finished stowing 60 barrels oil at 5 P M. middle part strong squally weather from W latter part wind hauled to S. ship Niger in company</p>
30	<p>Friday Lat 37° 30' S. Long 178° 44' W Strong squally weather from S. stood on both tacks. Niger in company</p>
31	<p>Saturday Lat 37° 00' S Long 179° 34' W First part strong gale from S E squally weather latter part strong breeze. Niger in company, at 6 P M while on the starboard tack under lower main topsail main spencer fore staysail, she made a lurch and clipped the bow boat down stove a hole in the boat and sprung the davit. took the davit out in the morning. So ends the year. bad luck still attending us total amount</p>
January 1	<p>of oil for the year 390 barrels, (255 sperm 135 whale). during the year we have seen sperm whales 6 times. right whales 6 times</p>

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January 1

[sketch of
3 masted ship
under sail]

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Cape East sperm whale ground
Lat 36° 35' South, Long 179° 17' West.

First part strong breeze from S E
dying away calm in latter part
lay on both tacks. the skipper
and family went on board the Niger
at 10 A M.

Monday. Lat 36° 26' S. Long 179° 30' W
First part calm middle part
breezed up from N W Capt P
came aboard from the Niger at 8 P M
steered S E during the night. hauled
on the wind on port tack at 7 1/2 A M

Tuesday Lat 37° 20' S. Long 179° 17' W
Strong breeze from W N W stood on
both tacks in latter part steered
S. in the morning took down an old
boat from overhead to repair. the Niger
was in sight in first part

Wednesday Lat 37° 50' S. Long 179° 10' W
Strong westerly wind. stood on
both tacks. saw a whaling bark
pass to leeward. supposed to be
the Petrel

Thursday Lat 37° 00' S Long 178° 30 W
Continued strong breeze from N W
stood on both tacks by the wind
sighted ship Niger at day light

Friday Lat 37° 18' S. Long 178° 38' W
Strong N W wind stood on both tacks
saw three whalers

Saturday. Continued strong wind
from N W. latter part rain

Monday Lat 37° 30' S. Long 179° 14' W
First part fresh breeze from S. latter
part light. stood on both tacks
gamming with the Niger in latter part

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	Toward Norfolk Island
Jan 11	Wednesday Lat 36° 15' S. Long 178° 56' W Strong breeze from E steered N N W three whalers in sight
12	Thursday Strong breeze from E gammed the bark Petrel and. John and Winthrop. and ship Niger in the first part. at 8 P M steered off N W by W bound to Norfolk Island in company with bark Petrel and ship Niger
13	Friday Lat 33° 10' S. Long 178° 20 E Strong breeze from E squally weather course N W by W 1/2 W and W N W
14	Saturday Lat 31° 30' S. Long 175° 25' E Commenced with a strong breeze from E dying away to a light breeze in latter part course W N W
16	Monday Lat 29° 54' S. Long 172° 28' E Light breezes from N E and E courses W by N. and W
17	Tuesday Lat 29° 35' S. Long 171° 28' E Light easterly weather steered a west course for Norfolk Island
18 [sketch of island]	Wednesday Lat 29° 38' S Long 170° 10' E Moderate breeze from E course W sighted Norfolk Island at day light 20 miles distant bearing W by N
19	Thursday Light breeze from E ship off and on Norfolk Island in company with bark Petrel and ship Niger and a trading schooner from Noumea bound to Auckland in the morning sent one boat in to the town and another went fishing off Philip Island

January 20 Friday Light breeze from E
ship off and on Norfolk Island in
company with ship Niger and bark
Petrel. sent in two boats at the town
at 9 A M

21 Saturday. Light wind from N E
on and off Norfolk Island

22 Sunday. Light airs from Northeasterly
off and on Norfolk Island

23 Monday Fresh breeze from S E
ship off and on Norfolk Island

25 Saturday Since last writing
the weather has been fine. ship
lying off and on Norfolk Island.
the captain came on board at
12 o'clock. put the ship on southern
tack for the remainder of the day.
wind from E light ship Niger
and bark Petrel left the island
on Thursday P M.

29 Sunday Lat 30° 05' S. Long 167° 16' E
Light wind in first part from E
ship on port tack. middle and latter
parts calm

30 Monday Lat 30° 25' S. Long 167° 32' E
Light breezes from S W to S E
course E S E

31 Tuesday Lat 30° 40' S Long 168° 57' E

Feb 1 Wednesday Lat 31° 00' S Long 169° 54 E
Fresh breeze from S W to S. course E S E

2 Thursday Lat 31° 34' S Long 172° 20' E
Light wind from S E stood on starboard
tack

3 Friday Lat 31° 36' S Long 173° 57' E
Light breezes from N E to W, course
E by S 1/2 S.

Toward Cape East

Feb

4 Saturday Lat 31° 46' S Long 174° 26' E
These 24 hours have had calm and light and fresh breezes from numerous points. with several rain squalls. steered E by S 1/2 S wind the wind would permit.

5 Sunday Lat 32° 10' S. Long 174° 41' E
Baffling wind from S to S E. fresh in first part light in latter part stood on both tacks working S E

6 Monday Lat 32° 10' S Long 175° 05' E
Light baffling southwesterly wind ship on both tacks

7 Tuesday Lat 32° 06' S. Long 175° 35' E
Light variable winds from S to E course E S E

8 Wednesday Lat 32° 26' S Long 176° 50' E
Continued light wind from same quarter

9 Thursday Lat 32° 50' S. Long 178° 00' E
Light breezes from S to W S W course S E at day light raised two or three large sperm whales on weather bow going to windward slowly. lowered three boats in pursuit. smokey air, bad seeing

10 Friday
Commenced with a fresh breeze from W S W three boats chasing sperm whales at about 3 P M waist boat struck got the whale alongside at dusk latter part hooked on. with the wind blowing almost a gale making bad work

[whale stamp with the number 112]

11 Saturday
Commenced with a strong breeze from S W finished cutting the body at 6 P M. latter part light breeze took in the head and boiled case. smokey atmosphere

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	Toward Cape East
Feb 12	Sunday Lat 32° 55' S Long 178° 48' E Light wind from S. watches employed boiling the whale
13	Monday Lat 32° 53' S Long 178° 38' E Fine weather wind light from a southerly direction. boiling
14	Tuesday Lat 33° 00' S Long 178° 37' E Light breeze from S and E. fine weather finished boiling at 3 A M
15	Wednesday Continued fine weather wind light from E. started stowing down at 5 A M. ship on both tacks
16	Thursday Light breezes south and
[barrel stamp]	eastward fine weather stood on both tacks. finished stowing down (112 barrels) at 6 P M.
17	Friday Lat 33° 26' S. Long 178° 32' E Continued light winds from various points weather fine
18	Saturday Lat 34° 00' S. Long 178° 12' E
20	Monday Lat 35° 08' S Long 179° 55' W These 24 hours began with a fresh breeze from N W steering S E middle part squally ship hove to on port tack. latter part light breeze, steering S E by S.
21	Tuesday Lat 35° 48' S Long 179° 00' W This day have had spurts of wind from all round the compass with calm spells and showers course S E by S
22	Wednesday Strong breeze from S squally weather. raised scattered sperm whales at day light some to windward some to leeward going to windward. waist boat took one head and head. but only got slightly past irons came out got on board at 11 1/2 A M
[whale tale stamp]	

Feb 23 Thursday Lat 35° 48' S. Long 178° 50' W
 Strong breeze from S in first part
 with squally weather. latter part
 light breeze fine weather stood on both tacks

24 Friday Lat 35° 34' S Long 178° 53' W
 Light breezes from S hauling to N W in
 latter part. steered S by W in forenoon

25 Saturday Lat 35° 52' S. Long 178° 48' W
 Commenced with a light breeze from
 N W, latter part wind hauled to S E
 and breezed on strong. saw the bark
 Petrel in the first part, and ship
 Niger in latter part. gammed the N
 a little while

26 Sunday Lat 36° 10' S Long 178° 30' W
 Strong breeze in first part from S E
 dying away light in latter part. Capt.
 and Mrs P went on board the Niger
 at 10 A M

27 Monday Lat 36° 10' S. Long 178° 55' W
 Light wind from E. gamming
 bark Saphire (of Habortown) and Petrel
 and ship Niger in first part, latter part
 all three of them in sight. stood on both tacks

28 Tuesday Lat 36° 28' S. Long 179° 19' W
 Light air from E. stood on both tacks
 raised a sperm whale a few minutes before
 sunset. lowered the four boats and pulled out
 toward him came on hard at dark. raised
 whales again at 10 A M lowered three
 boats and chased. the petrel and Niger lowered
 theirs

29 Wednesday. Continued light winds
 and calm first part chasing sperm
 whales. waist boat went along side of one
 with a fine chance the iron hit against
 the whale and toggled and did not enter
 chased the whale to westward in company
 with the Petrels boats. our mate struck one
 late in the afternoon. towed him to the

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Cape East sperm whale ground

Feb 29 Wednesday Petrel. got him along side at 4 1/2 A M had breakfast and started cutting. got the head off at dinner time

March 1 Thursday. Light breeze from N E one boats crew on board the Petrel helping cut the whale. took the head along side the Milton at dark. hove it in in the morning. saw sperm whales from the Milton and chased with no success. the whales were gallied by the Niger's boats to windward

[whales tail stamp]

2 Friday. Lat 36° 00' S. Long 179° 34' W Light breeze from N E fine weather finished boiling head at 11 A M. turns up 42 barrels. the whaleships in sight

3 Saturday Lat 36° 06' S. Long 179° 06' W Continued fine weather breeze light from N E took 10 barrels of oil from the Petrel to make up one half of the whale

4 Sunday Light easterly weather. gamming with bark Petrel. in the first part the Niger in sight

[sketch of 3 masted ship]

5 Monday. Commenced with at light breeze from S. latter part fresh breeze from S E. stood on both tacks. started breaking out to stow down at day light. got the oil all down at the end of the day. stowed 50 barrels bark Petrel in sight in first part. ship Niger in sight all day

[barrel stamp]

6 Tuesday lat 36° 14' S. Long 178° 50' W Moderate breeze from S E fine weather stood on both tacks. the Petrel and Niger in sight part of the time bent a new maintopgallant sail in the forenoon, and put old one at the fore

March 7 [sketch of 3 masted ship]	Wednesday Lat 36° 10' S. Long 179° 29' W Light breeze from E stood on both tacks. gamming with NIger in latter part
9	Friday. Lat 36° 25' S. Long 179° 26' W Commenced with a strong breeze from N latter part. blowing a moderate gale from N E stood on both tacks
10	Saturday. Blowing a fresh gale in first part from N E with rain latter part light wind from S W
11	Sunday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 179° 12' W First part fresh breeze from W. breezing on to a stiff gale in latter part lay on port tack, ship NIger in sight
12	Monday Continued gale from W
13 [whale tail stamp]	Tuesday Lat 35° 40' S. Long 178° 26' W Continued strong gale from W saw sperm whales during the afternoon going to S W. weather to bad to lower
14	Wednesday Lat 36° 02' S Long 178° 25' W Continued gale the same as yesterday ship Niger in sight to windward
15	Thursday. Continued westerly gale
16	Friday Lat 35° 57' S. Long 177° 44' W More moderate weather but still blow- ing strong. wind hauled to W N W stood on starboard tack
17 [whale tail stamp]	Saturday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 178° 05' W Moderate gale from N W. lay on starboard tack saw sperm whales at 5 1/2 P M. on ships weather bow going to S S W.

March 18 Sunday. Continued gale from N W
with rain in first part. Lay to on
both tacks under storm sails

19 Monday Lat 37° 20' S. Long 177° 40' W
Strong breeze from W N W stood
on both tacks. working to N W

20 Tuesday Lat 37° 52' S. Long 178° 21' W
half a gale from W stood on the port tack
at 11 A M saw white water to the leeward
Kept the ship off for it

21 Wednesday Lat 37° 00' S Long 177° 46' W
First part strong breeze heavy swell
raised sperm whales just after din-
ner lowered three boats. mate struck
soon. after the mates whale spouted
blood the other two boats chased off
after the school with no success
took the whale along side at sundown
middle part wind more moderate
at daylight. hooked on to cut. took
off the jaw. by that time the wind
began to increase to a moderate gale
had to stop cutting for the day

[whale stamp]

22 Thursday. First part blowing a
moderate gale from S. with a heavy swell
latter part wind light. but the swell
heavy. hooked on and cut in the whales
body and cut the head square off

23 Friday. Light airs in first part
from E latter part fresh breeze from
N W. in cutting the upper jaw from
the head we lost two of our largest
chin straps when we quit until
morning. in the forenoon we took in the
head. during the night Manuel
Batista in tending the mincing machine
broke his left fore arm near the wrist
bandaged it with splints

March 24 Saturday. Moderate and light breezes from N W to W. engaged boiling

25 Sunday Lat 37° 15' S. Long 177° 04' W
Fine weather moderate breeze from W finished boiling at 6 P M.

26 Monday. First part fine weather with a light breeze from W. latter part strong breeze. commenced stowing down at 6 A M. at day light saw two whalers in company one of them cutting evidently have a whale together. Lat 36° 20' S Long 176° 56 W

[barrel stamp]

27 Tuesday. Commenced with a change breeze from N W. latter part increased to a gale finished stowing down at 5 P M 98 barrels of oil

28 Wednesday. Lat 36° 08' S. Long 177° 47' W
Blowing a stiff gale from W

29 Thursday. Continued gale from W with very heavy squalls. I took in main topsail at 7 A M

30 Friday First part blowing a gale from S S W moderated during the night

31 Saturday Lat 34° 35' S Long 177° 05' W
Fresh breeze from W stood on starboard tack

April 1 Sunday Lat 35° 32' S. Long 177° 20' W
Strong breeze from W stood on starboard tack

2 Monday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 177° 43' W
Strong weather from W

3 Tuesday Lat 36° 06' S Long 177° 24' W
half gale from W heavy swell

Cape East sperm whale ground

April 4 Wednesday. Blowing a moderate gale from W veering to S W in the latter part.

5 Thursday Lat 36° 30. S Long 177° 18' W These 24 hours commenced with a moderate gale from S. moderating to a light breeze from S E in latter part stood on port tack all day

6 Friday Lat 36° 15' S Long 178° 20' W Calm weather these 24 hours. at 7 A M saw white water bearing W N W at 9 1/2 saw a sperm whale spouting about 3 miles off. only saw him one raining did not lower the boats

[whale's tail stamp]

7 Saturday Lat 36° 10' S Long 178° 35' W Continued light airs and calm at 7 A M raised two sperm whales bearing S S W lowered three boats in chase

8 Sunday Lat 36° 13' S. Long 178° 44' W These 24 hours commenced with a light air from S E. three boats chasing a sperm whale. larboard boat struck at 1 P M. took the whale along side at 6 P M Latter part fine weather. fresh breeze from W. started cutting two whale ships in sight

[whale stamp]

9 Monday. Strong breezes from W veering to S E in latter part. finished cutting at 8 P M. bailed the case and cut up the junk before the end of the day started try works at 6 A M. bark Petrel and ship Niger in sight

10 Tuesday Lat 36° 25' S. Long 178° 35' W Fine weather. light breeze from S E.

11 Wednesday Lat 36° 30' S Long 179° 05' W fine weather. wind light and variable engaged boiling

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	Toward Bay of Islands	115
April 12	Thursday Lat 36° 25' S Long 178° 47' W Fine weather. fresh breeze from N W to W Finished boiling at midnight	
13	Friday Lat 36° 26' S Long 178° 35' W Fresh breeze from N W commenced stowing down in main hold. riding tier	
14	Saturday Strong breeze from N N W stowed a hundred barrels of oil in main hold in the first part. latter part stored 25 barrels in fore hold ground tier. 125 barrels altogether	
15	Sunday Lat 36° 30' S. Long 179° 31' W	
20	Friday Lat 35° 00' S Long 179° 22' Since last writing have had strong weather for the most part. wind from W veering to S E. today there is a light breeze from E steered W and by S. for the Bay of Islands	
21	Saturday Lat 34° 55' S Long 179° 55' W Calm weather this day	
23	Monday Lat 35° 00' S. Long 179° 29' East These 24 hours commenced with a light breeze from N E increasing to a moderate gale in latter part with rain. course W by S and W hove to at 9 A M under storm sails	
24	Tuesday Commenced with a moderate gale from N with rain. wind died out at 4 P M. and breezed up strong from S W during the night ship under easy sail	
25	Wednesday Lat 34° 21' S Long 176° 55' E Strong breeze from S W. working the ship to windward towards the Bay of Islands	

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April 26 Thursday Lat 34° 40' S. Long 176° 37' E
Strong breeze from S W hauling to
S E in latter part. stood on both tacks

27 Friday Lat 34° 45' S. Long 175° 08 E
Fresh breeze from S E sighted Cape
Brett at 2 P M. dropped anchor off
Russell at 11 A M. ship Niger at anchor
here

[anchor stamp]

28 Saturday. Fine weather washed
ship outside and put out an old boat for
port use

June 9 Saturday Since last writing we have been
lying at anchor off Russell. took on
board 500 barrels water and recruited
for a round year. Four men
deserted. shipped two more
got under weigh at 8 A M Friday
morning with a fresh breeze from S.
left ship California at anchor

10 Sunday Fresh breeze from S. fine
weather course N by E and N N E

11 Monday These 24 hours commenced
with a fresh breeze from S hauling to
S E and dying away light in latter part
course N N E

12 Tuesday Lat 31° 05' S. Long 176° 53' E
Light easterly winds fair weather stood on
starboard tack

13 Wednesday Lat 30° 28' S Long 177° 28' E
Continued light wind from E

16 Saturday Lat 29 ° 15 S Long 178° 45' E
Since last writing have light weather
this day began with a strong breeze
from W increasing to a moderate gale
in latter part. first part steered
N E middle and latter part hove to
on port tack

June 17 Sunday Blowing a gale in first part from S W. moderated in middle part Kept off E N E at 10 A M.

18 Monday Lat 27° 50' S. Long 179° 37' E Strong S W wind. steered to the eastward

19 Tuesday Lat 27° 17' S. Long 179° 06' W Continued strong S W wind Dighted ship Niger at 10 1/2 A M

20 Wednesday Lat 27° 47' S Long 178° 02' W Strong squally weather from S W. working east in company with ship Niger

21 Thursday Lat 27° 19' S. Long 177° 00' W Light breeze from S E. fine weather. working to the N E in company with the Niger. gamming in the latter part
[sketch of 3 masted ship]

22 Friday. Light breeze from S E fine weather. gamming ship Niger in the first part

23 Saturday Light airs from E. in company with ship Niger

24 Sunday Lat 25° 40' S Long 176° 33' W Light breeze in first part from E raised a small pod of whales at 2 1/2 P M on ships weather bow distant 4 miles lowered three boats and pulled up got one. to Larboard boat. whales going slow to windward. Latter part light airs. cut in the whale. ship Niger in sight
[whale stamp]

25 Monday. Calms. and light airs from various points. at 1 1/2 P M raised sperm whales to the south of us. lowered three boats. but did not see the whales from the boats. whales going quick to the S E started try works at 6 A M. at 11 A M saw the Niger whaling did not see the whales she was chasing

June 26 Tuesday Lat 25° 52' S. Long 176° 33' W
These 24 hours commenced with a light breeze from W. veering to S. in middle part with rain. latter part strong breeze

27 Wednesday. Strong wind from S. stood on both tacks

28 Thursday. Strong southerly wind stood on both tacks in company with ship Niger. stowed the oil in the forenoon. fore hold. starboard side ground tier

[barrel stamp]

29 Friday Lat 25° 28' S Long 176° 44' W
First part fresh breeze from S E. latter part light. stood on port tack in company with ship Niger

30 Saturday Lat 25° 48' S. Long 177° 24' W
Strong southerly wind stood on both tacks in company with ship Niger

July 1 Sunday Lat 25° 52' S. Long 177° 18' W
Strong S E wind stood on both tacks in company with ship Niger

2 Monday Lat 25° 22' S Long 176° 50' W
Fresh breeze from E. stood on both tacks in company with the Niger

3 Tuesday. Fresh breeze from E
stood on both tacks in company with the Niger

4 Wednesday Lat 26° 00' S Long 177° 25' W
Continued fresh breeze from E. stood on both tacks. gamming the Niger in latter part

July 5 Thursday. These 24 hours commenced with a light breeze from E. latter part fresh breeze. stood on both tacks in company with the Niger

6 Friday Lat 26° 00' S. Long 177° 25' W
First part strong breeze from E. ship on starboard tack. raised sperm whales at 4 1/2 P M. ahead of the ship lowered three boats immediately. bow boat struck just at dusk and got stove. waist boat went to him. and the larboard boat struck the whale and killed him got all on board at 10 P M.
Latter part breezed onto a moderate gale started cutting. took the head in before dinner the Niger in sight

7 Saturday First part blowing a moderate gale. from E. finished cutting at 3 P M started try works at 10 A M. the weather better in the latter part. ship Niger in sight

8 Sunday. Moderate breeze from E in first part. light in latter part. boiling

9 Monday Lat 26° 13' S Long 177° 45' W
First part calm. middle and latter parts strong breeze from S E. finished boiling at 11 P M.

10 Tuesday Lat 25° 55' S. Long 178° 29' W
Strong breeze from E to N E. stood on both tacks

11 Wednesday Lat 25° 38' S. Long 177° 28' W
Fresh breeze from W

12 Thursday Lat 25° 52' S Long 177° 26' W
These 24 hours have had a fresh breeze from W. stood on port tack stowing down in first part of the day at day light raised sperm whales on weather beam coming to leeward. lowered three boats at 9 A M chasing the remainder of the day

July 13 Friday Lat 25° 28' S. Long 177° 28' W
first part light breeze from W S W
three boats away chasing whales. waist boat
struck at 2 P M. and got stove but managed
to keep afloat. two boats chased off after the
school larboard boat struck about 4 P M.
middle part breeze very light and baffling
took one whale along side at 6 1/2 P M. and the
other at 3 A M at day light commenced
cutting. took in one whale before 12 oclock

[whale stamp]

14 Saturday Lat 25° 30' S Long 177° 33' W
First part strong breeze from N W
finished cutting second whale at dusk
latter part fresh breeze from S W. started
try works at 8 A M.

15 Sunday Lat 25° 25' S. Long 177° 28' W
Light winds from various points.
engaged boiling

16 Monday. These 24 hours have had
fresh and strong breezes from N E to S W.
with rain in middle part. cooled the
works on account of rain. fired up again at
6 A M

17 Tuesday Lat 25° 25' S Long 177° 54' W
Strong breeze from S W. finished
boiling at 3 A M.

18 Wednesday. Weather squally. wind
variable. started stowing down at 7 A M

19 Thursday Lat 25° 40' S Long 176° 24' W
Light wind from S W with some rain
stowing down during daylight

20 Friday Lat 25° 14' S Long 176° 12' W
Fresh breeze from S. stood on
port tack. finished stowing off fore hold
at 4 1/2 P M. latter part took down a new
boat fro the waist cranes

Vasques Ground

July 21 Saturday Lat 25° 25' S. Long 177° 14' W
Fresh breeze from S. stood on both tacks

22 Sunday Lat 25° 20' S. Long 176° 46' W
Continued fresh southerly wind stood on both tacks. put out new boat at 4 P M for waist cranes. and took in the old one

23 Monday Lat 25° 32' S Long 176° 50' W
Fine weather. fresh breeze from S. at 8 A M took in bow boat to mend

24 Tuesday Lat 25° 25' S. Long 177° 15' W
Light breeze from E. middle part
calm. at 8 A M put out bow boat
and took in larboard boat. skipper
and family went gamming on board
ship Niger. witnessed a total eclipse
of the moon early in the evening

[sketch of a
3 masted
ship]

25 Wednesday. Fresh breeze from N E
stood on both tacks in company
with ship Niger

26 Thursday N wind rainy weather
stood on both tacks in company with
the Niger

28 Saturday Lat 24° 50' S, Long 178° 04' W
Strong breeze from W to S W
stood on both tacks in company with
the Niger

29 Sunday Lat 25° 15' S, Long 177° 40' W
Strong squally weather from S W. stood
on the starboard tack in company with
the Niger

30 Monday Lat 25° 44' S. Long 177° 23' W
First part strong breeze from S W
squally. latter part fresh breeze
fine weather. stood on both tacks
in company with Niger

July 31st Tuesday. moderate breeze from S. with light squalls. stood on both tacks at 6 1/2 A M raised sperm whales to windward. as usual lowered three boats at 9 1/2 oclock in company with the Niger boats

August 1st Wednesday Lat 25° 13' S Long 177° 35' W
These 24 hours commenced with a light breeze from S. six boats chasing whales. The Nigers boats caught three little fellows. middle and latter parts more wind and squaly

2 Thursday Lat 24° 56' S. Long 177° 26
Fine weather wind fresh from S.
hauling to E S E in latter part
stood on both tacks. Niger not in sight

3 Friday Lat 24° 45' S. Lon 177° 53' W
Strong breeze from E. stood on both tacks sighted the Niger in morning to leeward ran down to her, the Capt went on board.

4 Saturday Strong breeze from N E
took 17 barrels of oil from the Niger
our share. stowed it down in forenoon

5 Sunday Lat 25° 25' S. Long 177° 28' W
First part strong north wind
middle part wind hauling to W
with rain. latter part calm. pleasant

6 Monday Lat 25° 35' S. Long 177° 29 W
Light wind from S. fine weather
gammimg Niger in latter part

7 Tuesday Lat 25° 11' S. Long 177° 37' W
Light breeze from S. stood on port tack in company with the Niger

August 8 Wednesday Lat 25° 05' S. Long 178° 28 W
Continued light southerly wind and fine weather steering to the S W in company with the Niger bound to Norfolk Island

9 Thursday Lat 25° 32' S. Long 177° 35' W
Light wind from E veering to N E in latter part. steered S W and by W in company with the Niger

10 Friday Lat 25° 45' S. Long 179° 39' E
First part light breeze from N fine weather. middle and latter parts fresh breeze with rain. hauling to N W in latter part. course S W by W

11 Saturday. First part fresh breeze from S W with rain. cleared off in the night with a light breeze for the rest of the day. stood on both tacks in company with the Niger

12 Sunday Lat 26° 42' S. Long 177° 48' E
First part fresh breeze from W increasing to a fresh gale during the night latter part. blowing a strong gale with squalls

13 Monday. Blowing a gale from W lay on both tacks. in company with the Niger

14 Tuesday Lat 26° 50' S. Long 177° 58' E
First part blowing fresh from S W. moderating during the night to a moderate breeze from S. raised sperm whales at 8 1/2 A M lowered three boats in pursuit. Niger in sight astern

15 Wednesday Lat 26° 15' S. Long 177° 00' E
Fine weather. wind fresh from S. got two whales out of the school got them along side at dusk. latter part cutting in saw the Niger cutting

[whale stamp]

16 Thursday. strong breeze from E
finished cutting at 10 A M. Niger in sight
boiling.

17 Friday. Strong wind from N E in first
part. middle part from N with rain.
latter part light breeze from S W fine weather
started try works at 3 P M

18 Saturday Lat 26° 12' S. Long 175° 56' E
light breeze from S. lay on the port tack
engaged boiling. Niger in sight boiling too

19 Sunday Fine weather. light breeze
from various points. engaged boiling

20 Monday. continued fine weather
wind variable from E to N and W
finished boiling at 2 A M. started stowing
down in after hold. port side

21 Tuesday. Fine weather wind from S W
engaged stowing down. had to ransack
the ship to find suitable casks.

22 Wednesday Continued fine weather.
S W wind finished stowing oil at 9 A M
170 barrels

23 Thursday Lat 26° 25' S. Long 174° 20' E
Shifting winds from S E to N E and back
course S W 1/2 W

24 Friday Lat 26° 40' S 172° 56' E
Fine weather. light breeze from S. S. E
course S W. Niger in company

25 Saturday Lat 27° 00' S. Long 171° 54' E
Light breezes from S. stood on port
tack

26 Sunday Lat 27° 20' S. Long 170° 28' E
Fresh breezes from S S E. course S W

27 Monday Lat 27° 40' S. Long 169° 02' E

Aug 29 Wednesday since last writing. Mon and Tues were calm. breeze came from S. in the first part of the day hauled to E in latter part steered S W by S. 1.2 S. sighted Norfolk Islands at 10 A M. bearing S W. dist 30 miles steered for it with a fresh easterly wind cloudy weather

[sketch of island]

Sept 20 Thursday Since last writing we have been lying off and on Norfolk Island had good weather for the most part wind from Eastward nearly all the time found the island poorly off, and as a consequence we did not get much of a recruit. These last 24 hours commenced with a light breeze from S W with fine weather the Capt came on board at 1 P M. middle part fresh breeze. latter part strong breeze with rain squalls wind hauling to S S E. course E S. E Ships California and Niger left the island at the same time as ourselves bound in the same direction

Friday 21st These 24 hours fine weather wind from S S E strong in first part. Latter part light at 9 A M raised sperm whales lowered three boats got two to larboard and starboard boats saw the Niger take two whales out of the same school [whale stamp]

Lat29-15
Lon171°10E

22 Saturday. Light breeze from S S E. cut in the whales finished at 12 midnight

23 Sunday. Light southerly wind. stood on starboard tack. started try works at 1 P. M.

24 Monday. Calm weather. finished boiling at 7 A M.

25 Tuesday First part calm middle and latter parts light breeze from N E hauling to N W in the latter parts, course S E

Sept 26 Lat 28° 50' S Long 173° 20 E
 Light breeze from N. started stowing down
 in fore hold. at 7 A M.

27 Thursday Lat 29° 55' S. Long 174° 40' E
 Fresh breeze from N to N W. first part
 steering S E. stowing down at 3 P M. raised
 whales off starboard beam going to windward
 got one whale to Bow Boat S B struck
 and parted line latter part cut the whale

28 Friday. Lat 30° 15' S. Long 175° 20' E
 Light breeze from N W in first part
 hauling to S. in middle part died away
 calm Course S E by E. finished boiling at
 9 A M

29 Saturday Lat 30° 50' S. Long 176° 00' E
 First part calm. breezed up from
 E in the first watch. fresh breeze until the
 end of the day. stood on port tack

30 Sunday Lat 32° 10' S Long 176° 04' E
 Strong breeze from N E in the first part
 increasing to a half gale in the night
 with rain. latter part strong wind
 without rain. stood on the port tack

October

1 Monday Lat 32° 50' S Long 176° 35' E
 Strong breeze from W. course E by S.
 commenced stowing down at 7 A. M.

2 Tuesday Lat 33° 14' S. Long 178° 45' E
 Continued strong breeze from W. course E by S.

3 Wednesday Lat 33° 25' S. Long 178° 26' W
 First part half a gale from W
 with squalls. moderated to a strong
 breeze from S in latter part. course E by S

4 Thursday Lat 33° 42' S Long 175° 50' W
 First part fresh breeze from S.
 stood on starboard tack
 latter part calm

October 5 Friday Lat 33° 36' S. Long 175° 00' W
First and middle parts calm
latter part light breeze from N
steered E. at 11 A M. raised a right
whale going south

6 Saturday Lat 33° 43' S. Long 174° 46' W
Fresh breeze from N. chased a right
whale in the first part until dark
saw the Niger chasing whales
a few finbacks seen during the day
some feed under water

[whales tail
stamp]

7 Sunday Lat 33° 56' S. Long 174° 40' W
Strong N wind. with showers in latter
part. stood on both tacks
Our skipper went on board the Niger
after 4 P M. and staid to supper

8 Monday Moderate gale from N in
first part. middle part had rain
and the wind hauled to W. stood on
port tack

9 Tuesday Lat 34° 16' S Long 172° 50' W
Blowing a gale from W stood on both tacks

11 Thursday Lat 33° 38' S Long 173° 20' W
Strong breeze from S W. with heavy swell
from S. lay on starboard tack

12 Friday Lat 34° 05' S. Long 172° 47' W
Strong S W wind heavy swell
lay in starboard tack

13 Saturday Lat 34° 28' S Long 172° 10' W
Fresh breeze from S W. stood on starboard
tack latter part steered S E by E

14 Sunday Lat 34° 55' S. Long 171° 25' W
First part strong breeze stood on starboard
tack. latter part moderate gale from W
steered off E by N

October 15	Monday Lat 35° 37' S. Long 169° 50' W Blowing a stiff gale from S W. with heavy squalls. during the night. lay to on port tack
16	Tuesday lat 34° 55' S. Long 170° 04' W First part moderate gale lessening to a fresh breeze in latter part. lay on port tack first and middle parts latter part made sail on starboard tack and sighted a whale ship on weather bow standing to the westward supposed to be the Niger
17	Wednesday Lat 34° 35' S Long 170° 00' W First part fresh breeze from S E middle and latter parts calm
18	Thursday. First and middle parts calm latter breezed up fresh from E stood on port tack
19	Friday Lat 35° 05' S Long 169° 32' W Fresh breeze from N E fine weather stood on port tack. no signs of whales
20	Saturday Lat 35° 54' S. Long 168° 32' W Fresh breeze from N E fine weather stood on the port tack. no signs of right whales. saw blackfish in the morning
21	Sunday Lat 31° 40' S. Long 167° 57' W Strong breeze from N. stood on starboard tack
22	Monday Lat 35° 55' S. Long 169°00' W Continued strong norther with rain in latter part. saw ship Niger in the morning standing on the eastern tack. ship Milton on the western tack. saw two or three patches of feed

October 23 Tuesday. First part strong breeze from N ship in starboard tack middle and latter parts moderate gale ship on port tack. rain all day

24 Wednesday First part strong gale from N continuing until midnight latter part fresh breeze from N. W

25 Thursday Lat 35° 40' S. Long 169° 25' W Fresh breeze from N W stood on port tack. at 9 A M raised a right whale on weather, beam. lowered three boats

[whale tail stamp]

26 Friday Lat 35° 15' S, Long 169° 10' W First part moderate breeze from N W three boats chasing a right whale until dark no success. middle and latter parts light breeze

27 Saturday Lat 35° 28' S. Long 169° 00' W Moderate breeze from W fine weather at 3 P M. raised right whales. two together lowered away three boats chased until dark could not fasten saw two whale ships. to the windward. saw another whale in the morning

[whale tail stamp]

28 Sunday Lat 35° 16' S. Long 168° 54' W Continued fine weather wind from W fresh stood on both tacks. saw a ship cutting in the forenoon.

29 Monday Lat 35° 25' S Long 169° 08' W First part fresh breeze from S W hauling to S. before 5 P M. at 4 P M raised a right whale close aboard. lowered three boats whale going quick to S E got on board at dark. A 6 1/2 A M raised another whale going the same way lowered the boat and pulled after him the whale went out of sight ____ got on board at 9 A M latter part wind light from N E

[whale tail stamp]

(lowered but did not strike)

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N.Z. Right whale ground

Oct 30 Tuesday Lat 35° 34' S. Long 165° 58' W
Wind light from N E to N W stood
stood on both tacks. raised a right
whale at 11 1/2 A M

31 Wednesday Lat 35° 33' S. Long 168° 51' W
These 24 hours have had a moderate
breeze from N W. chased a right
whale in the first part until dark
without success. at 6 A M raised
another whale lowered three boats
struck him to larboard boat
got along side at 11 A M. saw the
Alaska take a whale. ship
Niger in sight. whales all seem to
be traveling about evidently in
search of feed. there is some here
but not thick

Nov 1 Thursday Lat 35° 38' S. Long 168° 36' W
First part fresh breeze from N W
cut in the whale before 5 P M.
middle and latter parts light breeze
from various points. with rain
started try works but was obliged to
cool down again

2 Friday. Fresh breeze from W
with some rain in first and middle
parts. started boiling at 3 P M
latter part fine weather with a fresh breeze

3 Saturday Lat 35° 42' S. Long 168° 32' W
First part light breeze from W
lowered for two right whales at
5 P M without success. lowered
again for two more at 7 1/2 A M
struck both to larboard and
waist boats, waist boat lost
hers through cutting time
got the other one along side at 11 A M
strong breeze in latter part from
N W

[whale stamp]

[whale tail stamp]

[whale stamp]

Nov 5 Monday. Lat 35° 25' S. Long 168° 40' W
 First part strong breeze from N W
 cut in the whale latter part moderate
 gale. started try works

6 Tuesday. First part blowing a gale from
 W. cooled down the try works
 latter part strong breeze from N W
 started boiling again

7 Wednesday Lat 35° 26° S. Long 168° 56W
 First part strong breeze from W
 dying away at sundown. calm during
 the night until towards morning
 when it breezed up fresh from
 S W. boiling all the 24 hours

8 Thursday Lat 35° 20' S. Long 168° 40' W
 Fresh breezes from S W to N W
 stood on both tacks. finished boiling
 at 5 P M. latter part stowing down
 fore hold port side

9 Friday Lat 35° 00' S Long 169° 00 W
 Fresh breeze from N W. raised right
 whales on weather bow at 12 M
 lowered three boats but the whales went
 out of sight to windward got on board
 at 5 P M. stowing down in latter part
 of the day.

[whale tail
 stamp]

10. Saturday Lat 35° 20' S. Long 169° 30' W
 Fresh breeze from N. finished stowing down
 at 4 P M. no signs of whales to be seen

11 Sunday Lat 35° 38' S. Long 168° 27' W
 First part strong breeze from
 N. latter part moderate gale from
 same quarter with rain. stood on
 port tack

November 12, Monday
 [whale stamp] These 24 hours commenced with a moderate gale from N with rain middle part light breeze from N W without rain. latter part fresh breeze. at 5 1/2 A M raised four right whales. two separate pairs about two miles apart lowered three boats got one to waist boat got alongside at 10 A M.

13 Tuesday Lat 36° 00' S Long 167° 10'
 Light wind from various points. with rain most of the time cut in the whale in first part finished at 6 1/2 P M

14 Wednesday. First part fresh breeze from E with rain. middle part wind from S E squally. latter part from S. clear started tryworks at 8 A M

15 Thursday Lat 35° 58' S. Long 167° 13' W
 [whale tail stamp] First part strong breeze from S. dying away to a light breeze in latter part. at about 8 A M raised a right whale lowered three boats and chased without success got on board at 12 o'clock

16 Friday. these 24 hours calm finished boiling at 7 P M

17 Saturday Lat 35° 34' S. Long 167° 09' W
 Light breeze from N E. started stowing down at 5 A M. in after hold starboard side

18 Sunday Lat 35° 25' S. Long 167° 19' W
 [whale tail stamp] [whale stamp] These 24 hours a fresh breeze from N E at 5 P M. lowered the boats for two right whales got one to larboard boat started cutting at. 5 A M. finished stowing down at 12 midnight part latter finished cutting at 11 A M. saw two whales to windward. in

Nov 19 Monday Lat 36° 06' S. Long 167° 10' W
Fresh breeze from N E. engaged boiling

20 Tuesday Continued fresh breeze from N E
lowered for whales ay 5 P M got another
one to larboard boat got along side at 10
P M latter part cut in the whale

21 Wednesday Lat 36° 10' S. Long 167° 48' W
Continued fresh wind from N E.
lowered for a whale at 2 P M without
success. latter part saw a whale
going to windward did not lower for him

22 Thursday Lat 36° 10' S. Long 167° 57' W
First part strong breeze from N
middle part less wind with rain
had to cool down the try works
last part calm and clear. started try works

23 Friday
Strong breeze from S W finished
boiling at 12 midnight. latter part
started stowing down after hold starboard
side

24 Saturday
First part string breeze from W
breezed on. and hauled to N W in latter
part stowing down all day

25 Sunday blowing a strong gale from
N to N W. ship hove to on port tack

26 Monday. Blowing a moderate gale from
N W. lay on port tack

27 Tuesday Lat 35° 35' S. Long 166° 15' W
Continued N W gale

28 Wednesday Lat 36° 02' S. Long 166° 30' W
First part moderate gale from N W
latter part strong breeze ship on starboard
tack. all hands scraping bone in latter part of the day

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New Zealand Right whale ground

Nov 29 Thursday Lat 36° 38' S. Long 166° 30' W
Strong breeze from N W stood
on starboard tack

30 Friday Lat 37° 00' S. Long. 166° 45' W
Continued strong breeze from N W
ship on starboard tack
some rain in latter part

Dec 2 Sunday Lat 38° 15' S. Long 167° 40' W
First part strong N W wind
middle part somewhat fresher
breeze with drizzle. latter moderate
gale from same point of compass
stood on the starboard tack saw
some feed in latter part of day

3 Monday Lat 38° 53' S. Long 168° 00' W
Strong breeze from W N W
stood on starboard tack
plenty of feed seen, but no whales
of any kind

4 Tuesday Lat 39° 37' S. Long 167° 54' W
Fresh breeze from W. stood on
starboard tack until 9 A M then
wore round to the north some fine
rain in squalls in latter part

5 Wednesday. Calm until 5 A M
when the wind came from N W

6 Thursday First part fresh breeze
from W hauling to S W at 4 P M
middle and latter parts half a gale
stood on port tack. saw feed

7 Friday Lat 39° 00' S Long 168° 49' W
First part strong breeze from S W
dying away to light airs in later
part. stood on the port tack
saw several finbacks

1888
Toward East Cape

Dec 8 Saturday Lat 38° 35' S Long 169° 33' W
Fresh breeze from W to N W
stood on both tacks

9 Sunday. Fresh breeze from N W
fine weather stood on both tacks
saw a few patches feed and a few
finbacks

10 Monday Lat 38° 20' S. Long 169° 55' W
First part. fresh breeze from N W
increasing to a half gale in latter
part. stood on both tacks saw
humpbacks. two of them

14 Friday. Since last writing have had
strong wind and gales from N W to S W
working the ship to starboard.
some feed and finbacks seen during
this time

15 Saturday First and middle parts strong
breeze from W latter part strong gale
lay on the port tack

16 Sunday Blowing a strong from W
with heavy squalls ship on port tack

17 Monday. Lat 37° 40' S. Long 171° 20' W
Strong breezes almost a gale from W
stood on port tack

18 Tuesday First and middle parts strong
breeze from W. latter part light
from S W. stood on the port tack

19 Wednesday Lat 36° 08' S. Long 170° 54' W
Strong breeze from W stood on they port
tack

20 Thursday. First part moderate gale from
W middle and latter parts fresh
breeze. stood port tack

Dec 21 Friday Lat 35° 00' S. Long 172° 08' W
First part moderate breeze from S W
middle part calm. Latter part
fresh breeze from W. stood on
both tacks. For the last ten or twelve
days a little oil has been coming to
the pumps after breakfast. sent the
second mate down the hold to look
for the cask. found a small one in
the ground tier about a third out
did not think it best to break out
would have to move too much oil to
get it

22 Saturday. Fresh breeze from W
stood on starboard tack
Latter part washed ship inside with lye
saw a school of whales, supposed
they were sperm. got the boats
ready but they proved to be
finbacks . weather misty

23 Sunday. Light breezes from W
stood on both tacks

24 Monday Lat 35° 45' S. Long 173° 50' W
Light breeze from W N W. weather
fine during the day. foggy at night
stood on starboard tack

25 Tuesday Lat 36° 25' S. Long 174° 33' W
Moderate breeze from W N W. fine weather
stood on starboard tack

26 Wednesday Lat 37° 00' S. Long 175° 48' W
Light breeze from W S W stood on star-
board tack until 6 P M. after that on the
port.

27 Thursday Lat 36° 22' S Long 176° 25' W
Wind from S. took a hard squall
at 4 1/2 P M. took in everything down to
lower topsails. middle and latter parts
strong breeze. stood on port tack

Dec 28 Friday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 177° 46' W
First part strong south wind dying away
to a calm at midnight at about 9 A M
a light breeze sprang up from N W
stood on port tack. latter part washed
the grass off the outside the ship

29 Lat. Lat 35° 55' S. Long 178° 10' W
First part light breeze from N W
latter part fresh from S.
stood on both tacks. in the forenoon
went down the fore hold to look at the
leaky oil cask. found it some what lowered
cut a hole in the bilge large enough
to put in a bailer, and bailed the oil out

30 Sunday Lat 36° 08' S. Long 178° 24' W
First part fresh breeze from S E. dying
away to a calm in middle part
saw gampuses.

31 Monday. Fine weather light winds from
N E to W. stood on both tacks
saw grampuses. latter part caught two
Albicores on a line towing astern
So ends the year 1888. The past year
we have taken 850 barrels sperm oil
and 400 whale oil 3500 lbs bone
Have seen sperm whales 15 times
right whales 18 times

January 1 Tuesday Lat 36° 50' S Long 179° 22' W
Light airs from N W stood on both
tacks. saw grampuses

2 Wednesday Lat 37° 00' S. Long 179° 40' W
First and middle parts light
wind from W. latter part fresh
stood on both tacks. in the morning
commenced to wash whalebone

3 Thursday. Fresh breeze from W
stood on both tacks. all hands
washing bone

4 Friday Lat 37° 05' S. Long 179° 33' W
Continued fresh west wind.
smoky air. stood on both tacks
finished washing bone at 11 A M

5 Saturday. Fresh breeze from W to N W
stood on port tack

6 Sunday Lat 35° 55' S. Long 178° 27' W
Strong breeze from N N W. to W
fine rain during the night and forenoon
stood port tack until 6 1/2 P M
after that on the starboard

7 Monday Lat 36° 12' S. Long 178° 43' W
Continued fresh breeze from W
stood on the starboard tack

8 Tuesday Lat 37° 15' S. Long 179° 15' W
Fresh breeze from N W. stood on
both tacks. latter part wet hold
for the first time.

9 Wednesday Lat 37° 45' S. Long 179° 45' S.
Light breeze from N W to N E
fine weather stood on both tacks
under all sail

Jan 10 Thursday Lat 37° 30' S. Long 179° 42' S.
Fresh breeze from N stood on both tacks

11 Friday Lat 37° 35' S. Long 179° 05' W
Fresh breeze from N. stood on port tack. saw ship Niger in the afternoon gamming with her in the forenoon 300 barrels right whale oil this season

12 Saturday. Fresh breeze from N W stood on both tacks. gamming Niger in first part.

13 Sunday. Continued fresh N W wind stood on both tacks in company with the Niger. at 7 A M. saw the Niger lower her boats. we lowered ours shortly after. one of the N boats fastened to a whale before our boats could get up there. our boats chased off to the N E after the school. struck one to waist boat. he was inclined to use his jaw the bow boat was badly stoven and the waist boat had a small hole punched through her bottom by a tooth finished fluking the whale at 12 M

[whale stamp]

14 Monday Lat 38° 04' S. Long 179° 21' W
Calm weather started cutting at 12 1/2 P M finished at 11 1/2 A M. saw the Niger cutting

15 Tuesday. Light airs from various points stood on both tacks.
In first part bailed
Case and started try works. cut into a part of the junk, latter part finished cutting junk. ship Niger in sight boiling

16 Wednesday Lat 37° 54' S. Long 179° 35' W

17 Thursday 37° 20' S. Long 179° 22' W
First part fresh breeze from E middle
part calm. latter part light breeze
from W. stood on both tacks in
company with the Niger finished
boiling at 9 A. M.

18 Friday Lat 37° 35' S. Long 179° 35' W

20 Sunday. Strong breezes from S to S E.
S in first part finished stowing
100 barrels oil in after hold. filled it,
and had about 15 barrels left
ship Niger in company stood on
both tacks

21 Monday Strong breeze from E
stood on both tacks in company
with the Niger. latter part stowed
15 barrels oil in fore hold. making
115 barrels the total yield of the whale

22 Tuesday Lat 36° 45' S. Long 178° 48'
Fresh breeze from E N E at 4 1/2 P M
raised sperm whales going north
lowered three boats without success
saw one of the Niger boats. fasten
to a whale about one hour before sunset
saw the ship under all sail the next
morning so they must have lost the whale

[whale tail stamp]

23 Wednesday Lat 36° 08' S. Long 179° 18' W
Light E wind stood on both tacks in
company with ship Niger. latter part
gammimg

24 Thursday First part light breeze
from E. middle and latter part
calm. took in starboard boats to mend

Jan 26 Saturday. Strong breeze from N W
stood on both tacks. latter part gam-
ming with bark Alaska (direct from
Chatham Islands) and ship Niger
Got a ton of potatoes from the A
Lat 36° 45' S. Long 179° 02' W

28 Monday Lat 37° 00' S. Long 178° 54' W
First part light breeze from N W
latter part fresh breeze. three whalers
in sight to windward. at 9 1/2 A M raised
a sperm whale on lee bow two miles
off going to leeward. lowered three
boats at 10 1/2 o'clock

29 Tuesday Lat 37° 01'S. Long 179° 40' W
Fine weather. wind fresh from N W
struck the whale at about 1 P M.
got alongside at 2 1/2 P M. started
cutting finished the body at the end
of the day. ship Niger and bark Petrel
in sight

30 Wednesday Lat 37° 27' S. Long 179° 33' W
Continued fine weather. wind fresh from
N. first part took in the head and bailed
case. started try works at 7 P M

31 Thursday. Lat 37° 30' S. Long 179° 23' W
Fresh breeze from N W stood on both
tacks boiling. ship Niger in company

Feb 1 Friday. Light breeze. latter part calm
finished boiling at 12 midnight

2 Saturday Strong breeze from S E
stood on both tacks. started stowing
down in the morning. fore peak port
side. ship Niger in sight

Feb 3 Sunday These 24 hours blowing strong from E with some rain stood on starboard tack

4 Monday. Blowing a strong gale from S E lay to on port tack. rained all day

5 Tuesday. the same a yesterday

6 Wednesday Lat 36° 35' S. Long 179° 46' E Blowing a strong gale from S E lat to on starboard tack. rainy.

7 Thursday Lat 35° 55' S. Long 179° 50' W Continued gale from S S E rainy in squalls. ship on starboard tack

8 Friday Lat 35° 38' S. Long 179° 14' W Strong breeze from S S E squally stood on starboard tack. in company with the Niger

9 Saturday Lat 35° 32' S. Long 178° 28' W Fresh breeze from S. stood on both tacks latter part gamming with the Niger. took on board from her 21 bundles whalebone as freight to New Bedford

10 Sunday. Light breeze from S hauling to W in latter part working the ship south

11 Monday Lat 35° 55' S. Long 178° 16' W Light breeze from N W rainy in latter part stood on starboard tack. Niger in company

13 Wednesday Lat 36° 12' S. Long 178° 04' W Strong breeze from S W

Feb 14 Thursday Lat 35° 45' S. Long 178° 10' W
Strong breeze from S W hauling to S E
in latter part. stood on port tack
in company with Niger

15 Friday Lat 35° 35' S. Long 178° 31' W
Light breeze from E to N. latter part
steered off S by W in company with
the Niger. bundled bone in latter part

16 Saturday Lat 36° 00' S. Long 178° 45' W
Light breeze from N W first part
steered S S W. middle and latter
parts on starboard tack

17 Sunday Lat 36° 20' S Long 179° 37' W
Light breeze from N W. stood on
both tacks. in the morning
Capt and Mrs Chase came on board
from the Niger. Mrs Chase to go as
passenger to the Bay of Islands

18 Monday. Light breeze from N W
hauling to S in latter part steering
to the westward. parted company
with the Niger at 8 P M

19 Tuesday Lat 36° 40' S Long 178° 57' E
Strong breeze from S E. course N W
and N W 1/2 N

20 Wednesday Lat 34° 28' S. Long 176° 55' W
First part strong breeze from S E latter part
calm. course S W by W

21 Thursday Lat 35° 02' S. Long 175° 25' W
First part Light breeze from N W
middle part strong breeze from S.
latter calm. sighted land. Cape Brett
and vicinity at 6 1/2 P M. Cape B
bearing West latter part ship leeward
close under the land

Feb 22 Friday. Light airs off the land
ship off the mouth of the bay trying
to work in with no success

23 Saturday. Took a breeze from N E
at 12 M. came to anchor off Russell

[anchor stamp] at 3 P M. sent all the sails down
immediately. latter part washed
ship outside

April 9 Tuesday. Since last entry in journal
the ship has been lying at anchor
off Russell. Bay of Islands
have been engaged in painting
ship inside and out high and low
rove off new running rigging
where it was needed. bent new
sails where necessary. the ship was
ready fro sea on the 25th Monday
but owing to waiting a week for the
mail to arrive and the remainder
of the time for a favorable opportunity
to sail we have not got out at the
present time. the weather as a general thing
has been very fine, only two or three days
being rainy. have had wind from all
quarters. Ship Niger arrived in port
on the 9th March.

10 Wednesday fine weather wind light
from S E to N E. ship Niger sailed
in the first part in tow of the
steamer Clansmen. In latter part
at 6 A M. we got under way with a
light air from S E and tried to
work out at about 9 A M the breeze
came in from N E

11 Thursday. Fine weather wind from N N E
to N N W. in first part ship off the
Black Rocks with a light breeze blowing in
at 3 P M gave it up and anchored inside the
B. R. for the night at 6 A M got under way again
and strived out of the bay with a fresh breeze
from N N W

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Homeward Bound

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April 12 Friday Fresh breeze from N to N W with a head swell. course E BY N 1/2 N lost sight of land at dusk distance 20 miles

13 Saturday Lat 35° 12' S. Long 177° 30' E
Continued fresh breeze from N W to W and S W in latter part first part course
E. during day watch pumped ship[and found considerable water in her evidently a new leak. pumped one hour
could not find the leak latter part
changed course to N E by E

14 Lat 35° 30' S. Long 179° 50' W
Saturday Fresh breeze from S W to S.
courses N E by E and E. weather fine
anchored the ship had started a leak

14 Sunday Lat 34° 48' S. Long 177° 14

16 Tuesday Lat 35° 01' S. Long 173° 12' W
Strong breeze from S to S W course E

17 Wednesday Lat 35° 06' S. Long 169° 40' W
Strong breeze from S. course East.

18 Thursday Lat 35° 28' S. Long 166° 53' W
These 24 hours have had light baffling
wind from S E to S W. course E by S.

19 Friday Lat 35° 30' S. Long 165° 00' W
Strong breeze from S to W course E S E

20 Saturday Lat 36° 40' S. Long 162° 10' W
Strong wind from W N W course E S E
heavy southerly swell running

21 Sunday First part fresh breeze from W N W
latter part light from N W

22 Monday First part light breeze from N N W
breezing on to a stiff gale in latter part
course E S E hove to on port tack at 11 1/2
A M rainy

April 23 Tuesday First part strong gale from N with rain ship hove to on port tack middle part. strong breeze from N W steered off N E latter part strong breeze from W course N E

24 Wednesday. Lat 40° 25' S. Long 153° 13' Strong breeze from W S W course N E

25 Thursday Lat 39° 12' S. Long 150° 15' First and middle parts fresh breeze from S W. latter part light from S E. course N E.

26 Friday. Light airs from E ship on starboard tack

27 Saturday Lat 37° 28' S. Long 147° 47' W Light breeze from E stood on starboard tack

28 Sunday L continued E wind rainy stood on both tacks

29 Monday Strong breeze from N rainy weather stood on port tack

30 Tuesday Light breeze from N to N E showery weather stood on port tack

May 1 Wednesday Fresh breeze from N stood on port tack

2 Thursday Strong breeze from N W course N E

3 Friday Lat 34° 55' S. Long 139° 38; W Strong breezes from N to W course N E 1/2 E

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May 7 Tuesday Lat 31° 55' S. Long 129° 23' W
Moderate breeze from S W course
N E by E

8 Wednesday Lat 31° 04' S. Long 127° 26' W
Light breeze from W S W course E N E

9 Thursday Lat 30° 32' S. Long 125° 20' W
Light breeze from W S W course E N E

10 Friday Lat 30° 08 ' S. Long 123° 38' W
Continued light breeze from S W to S E
course E N E

11 Saturday Light breeze from E. ship on
the wind on starboard tack

12 Sunday Lat 28° 15' S. Long 122° 28' W
Light wind from N E to N. stood on
starboard tack until 7 A M after that
on the port tack

13 Monday. Fresh breeze from N to SW
squally weather. course N E by E

14 Tuesday. Strong breeze from S to S E
with rain the first four hours
course N E by E

15 Wednesday Strong S W wind course N E by E

16 Thursday Lat 23° 40' S. Long 114° 36' W
First part fresh breeze from S. W. middle
and latter parts light baffling winds from
S W to N E course N E by E

17 Friday. Baffling winds from almost every
where squally weather course N E 1/2 E

18 Saturday Wind from S W to N N W.
part of the time fresh. some squalls
of rain Course N E 1/2 E

May 19 Sunday Lat 21° 08' S. Long 109° 52' W
Light baffling wind from various
quarters course N E

20 Monday Lat 20° 25' S. Long 108° 32' W
Continued light weather middle part
calm the other parts of the day
light airs from all points course N E

24 Friday Lat 19° 28' S. Long 106° 56' W
Since last writing light baffling
airs have prevailed from N to E
scarcely any progress has been
made. We ought to have taken
the trades before this but they have
appeared yet. to say this sort of
sailing is tedious is drawing it mild
We are trying to work to the north

25 Saturday Lat 18° 10' S. Long 107° 28'
Light baffling wind from N E to E
stood on starboard tack

26 Sunday Lat 17° 02' S. Long 107° 30' W
Fresher breeze still from N E to E.
stood on starboard tack close hauled

27 Monday Lat 15° 27' S. Long 107° 30' W
Moderate breeze from E N E to E S E
squally weather stood on starboard tack

28 Tuesday Lat 14° 06' S. Long 107° 02' W
Fresh breeze from E S E stood on starboard
tack

29 Wednesday Lat 12° 36' Long 106° 09' W
Fresh breeze baffling from E S E to E N E
stood on starboard tack. saw a
merchant ship at daylight. bound
north

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 Toward Panama

May 30 Thursday Lat 11° 20' S. Long 105° 00' W
 Continued baffling trades ship on starboard tack

31 Friday Lat 10° 02' S. Long 104° 02' W

June 1 Saturday Lat 8° 28' S. Long 103° 10 W

2 Sunday Lat 6° 55' S. Long 101° 52' W

3 Monday Lat 5° 45' S. Long 100° 10' W
 Continued fresh trades. ship close
 hauled on starboard tack. nothing
 happening of any importance

4 Tuesday Lat 4° 38' S. Long 99° 00' W

9 Sunday Lat 1° 46' S. Long 93° 45' W
 We are having a very slow passage
 since last writing the wind has been
 light for the most part
 with one day like the last as regards
 interesting incident

12 Thursday Lat 08° 15' N Long 91° 55' W
 Since last writing the wind has been
 very light with a part of the time dead
 calm. sighted the Galapagos Island
 Tuesday at daylight. the islands are
 in sight now. saw a whaling bark
 on Tuesday cutting a whale
 saw her boiling the next day

[sketch of
 Islands]

13 Friday Lat 08° 13' N Long 92° 11' W
 Calm weather. the ship drifting west
 with the current

16 Sunday First and middle parts
 light airs from S E latter part fresh
 breeze. passed about 10 miles to windward
 of Wenman's Island in the fore noon
 there is a strong current running
 to N W

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June 17 Monday Lat 1° 34' S. Long 91° 20' W
First and middle parts light breeze
and calm. latter part moderate
breeze from S. lost sight of
Wenman's Island in the A. M.

19 Wednesday Lat 1° 39' S. Long 89° 25' W
First and middle parts fresh
breeze from S E to E S E stood on
starboard tack. Close hauled

20 Thursday Lat 2° 26' S. Long 87° 52' W
First part light breeze middle and
latter parts fresh ship on starboard
tack under all sail

21 Friday Lat 2° 30' S Long 86° 05' W
Fresh breeze ship on the wind
heading E to E S E

22 Saturday
Fresh breeze from S. stood on
eastern tack. raised a school of
sperm whales at 3 P M going N W
Lowered three boats got one to
waist boat got him along side at 8 P M
latter part cut him in

[whale stamp]

23 Sunday Lat 2 ° 14' S. Long 83° 35' W
Continued moderate breeze from S
engaged boiling the whale
ship under easy sail on eastern tack

25 Tuesday Lat 1° 52' S. Long 81° 25' W
Fresh breeze from S. to S W courses
E by N and N by E

26 Wednesday Lat 2° 25' S. Long 91° 35' W
First and middle parts fresh
breeze from W S W latter part
light course N 1/2 W, rain with
thunder and lightning during
the night

June 27 Thursday Lat 4 ° 05' S. Long 79° 18' W
Light breeze from W course N by W

28 Friday Lat 5° 08' S. Long 79° 11' W
moderate breezes from W to S
course N by W

29 Saturday Lat 6° 57' S. Long 79° 00' W
Light wind from various points
with showers of rain. sighted land
in the vicinity of Cape Garachine
the South American shore at daylight

30 Sunday. These 24 hours commenced with
a fresh breeze from W S W ship
on port tack stood on by the Perleu
Islands and during the night kept
the ship in position about 20 miles
S W of them. latter part ship becalmed
drifting to the westward with the current

July 1 Monday These 24 hours have had
alternate calms and light breezes
working the ship up the bay as fast
as possible

[sketch of anchor]

2 Tuesday. Ship at anchored east of
the A'm packet company's station in
eight fathoms water at 5 P M.
in the forenoon the Captain went on
shore at Panama on business

3 Wednesday. Wind from various
directions and light. in the forenoon
two captains from American steamers
lying here and the boss carpenter
of the ship yard came on board to
have a survey of the ship

July 4 Thursday. Weather continues the same. nothing doing on board except sending down the sails in first part. in the latter part a note came off from the Captain saying he had received a telegram from the agents asking for full particulars and to wait for further orders

7 Sunday. Weather showery for the last 3 days. nothing doing on board. have received orders to commence breaking out cargo on Monday morning to be shipped to New Bedford

22 Monday. Since last writing the oil has been shipped to New Bedford by the Panama Railroad and the P M S S Co to New York to the amount of 540 barrels whale oil and 1235 barrels sperm oil the crew will be discharged tomorrow and forwarded to New Bedford The number of days work on oil is twelve, commencing with the morning of the eighth

April

On the 11th 1889 we got under way from the Bay of Islands bound to New Bedford. On the night of the 12th had a fresh breeze from N with an easterly swell course E by 1/2 N pumped ship the following day watch and found an hours pumping in her, which was something entirely new. she continued to leak about 2000 strokes a day on port tack in strong weather. after a week or two she made water on both tacks and before the wind which she had not done before. we made about an E course until the 20th of the month when we began to work S E for Cape Horn On the 23 d in about Lat 40° S. took a moderate gale from N. the ship made more water than she had done (and that without pressing her) and the Captain taking into consideration the age of the ship and her evident weakness concluded she was not fit to make the winter passage around Cape Horn so we bore away to the N E. and after talking over the matter concluded to go to Panama. We worked across with continual light winds the S E trades were a failure ranging from the E and some times north of E passed the Galapagos Islands on the 17th June after being in sight of them six days. ON the 29th sighted land near Cape Garachine and on the 1 st July dropped anchor in Panama bay about 1 mile East of the American Packet Company Station in eight fathoms of water. after a passage of 82 days. On the 22 d June took a 30 barrel sperm whale out of a large school

Signals at Main

- Signal up at main. whales up
- " half mast at main. whales between boat & ship
- " up and down. boat heave to

Signal up at fore. boats come on board

- " at fore and main boat fast. go to her
- " at main and mizzen. boat stove, go to her
- " at fore, main and mizzen, cut and come aboard
- " at mizzen peak. nearest boat come to the ship

Head of speniker in and out whales astern of ship

Weather clew of mizzen topsail or top garnet up
whales on weather quarter

Weather clews at main up whales in weather beam

Weather clews forward. whales in weather bow

Lee clews up. when whales are off to leeward

Jib or Flying Jib down whales ahead

Jib or Fly Jibs up and down, go ahead as fast
as possible

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Letters received from

April. 5.	Mrs L H Laurence	7
"	L H Laurence	1
"	F T Laurence	1
"	J Hamlin	2
"	G W Jones	1
"	Mrs Samuel Lawrence	1
Sept. 27.	Mrs L H Lawrence	5
	" D W Campbell	1
	" J Hamlin	1
1887		
April 28	At Norfolk Island	
"	Mrs L H Lawrence	2
"	J Hamlin	1
May 12 Bay Island	Mrs L H Lawrence	6
" "	Mattie A Lawrence	2
" "	L H Lawrence	1
" "	G W Jones	1
" "	J. Hamlin	1
1888		
Jan 19	At Norfolk Island. Mrs L H Lawrence	1
Apr 27	" Russell " " "	7
" "	" " J Hamlen	1
1889		
Feb 23	Mrs L H Lawrence	11
"	" D W Campbell	1

1885

Aug 7	to Mrs L H Lawrence	1
"	" J Hamlin	1
Sept 3	" Mrs L H Lawrence	1
"	" G W Jones	1

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April	" Mrs L H Lawrence	2
"	" G W Jones	1
"	" J Hamlin	1
"	" L H Lawrence	1
"	" F T Lawrence	1
Oct 7	" Mrs L H Lawrence	1
" "	" J Hamlin	1
" "	" G W Jones	1
" "	" A H Lawrence	1

1887

Mar 1	Mrs L H Lawrence	1
May	" " " "	1
June	" " " "	1
"	George W Jones	1
"	J Hamlin	1
Sept 12	Mrs L H Lawrence	1

1888

Jan 21	" " " "	1
May	" " " "	2
"	J Hamlin	1
June	F T Lawrence	1
Sept	Mrs L H Lawrence	1

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March	G W Jones	1
"	J Hamlen	1
July 3	Mrs L H Lawrence	1
" 14	" " " "	1

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Date of raising	Right	Sperm	Who raised them	How	Whales	Lat	Long
					N		
1885	Sept 5th	Manuel Batista	Breaching	38°-30'	29°- 10'		
	Oct. 6th	Joseph Chase	Spouting	5° -05'	20°- 50'		
	" 7th	" "	"	4° -55'	20°- 49'		
	Nov 17th	Manuel Batista	"	36°-33'	25°- 25'		
" 20th		John Pena	"	36°-10'	26°- 04'		
" 21st		Manuel Silva	"	36°-19			
" 21st		Manuel Batasta	"	" "			
1886	June 3rd	Joaquin King	White water	28°-00'	175°- 30'		
Oct. 17th		Manuel Silva	Spouting	35°-30'	172°- 08'		
" 20		R J Connolly	"	36°-20'	170°- 40'		
" 21		Manuel Viera	"	"	"		
" 25		Manuel Silva	"	36°-30'	169°- 10'		
" 26		John Pena	"	36°-25'	169°- 00		
Nov 7			"	35°-50'	170°- 44'		
" 8		John Pena	"	35°-48'	170°- 50		
" 30		A Lawrence	bonnet.feeding	38°-40'	171°- 33'		
Dec 1		Manuel Batista	Spouting	38°-53'	171°- 27'		
" 2		Manuel Viera	"	39°-32'	171°- 37		
1887	Dec. 29	Manuel Silva	"	37°-04'	179°- 00'		
	Jan 13	Joseph Chase	"	37°-35'	179°- 18'		
	Jan 10	Manuel Silva	"	37°-40'	179°- 12'		
	Jan 12	Joseph Chase	"	37°-02'	179°- 00		
	" 30	Albino Roderique	"	35°-30'	179°E.55'		
	Ap 14	Jack Smoke	"	34°-17'	161°- 45'		
	July 28	Manuel Rosa	Breaching	25°-50'	176°W46'		
Oct 21		A Lawrence	Spouting	36°-06'	169°- 04'		
" 29		A Lawrence	"	35°-35'	169°- 43'		
" "		M Viera	"				
Nov 6		A Lawrence	Flukes	35°-35'	169°- 00		
" "		M Viera	Spouting	" "	"		
" 23		Wm Cook	Flukes	36°-46'	170°- 13'		
1888	Dec 20	Wm Cook	Spouting	37°-10'	179°- 00		
	Feb 9	R J Conley	Flukes				
	" 22	Josina Perez	Spouting	35°-48'	178°-50'W		
	" 28	Joe King	"	36°-28'	179°- 20'		
	" 29	" "	"	36°-40'	179°- 30'		
	Mar 1	John Pena	"				
	" 13	Joe King	"	35°-40'	178°- 26		
" 17		Manuel Silva	"	36°-40'	178°- 05		
" 20		John Adams	White water	37°-00	177°- 46'		
Ap. 7		Joe Ring	" "	36°-10'	178°- 35'		

Bbls Oil		Total	Lbs Bone	General remarks	211
R	S.	R	S		
				Going to the windward	
		28		Going to windward did not lower	
				These whales. one to each boat, L.W. & B. boats	
				Accident to tiller	
56			625	To the bow boat	
				Missed by Bow Boats boatstr	
				Did not lower	
40		96		Miltons mate in Larboard boat	
				too late in the day	
				too late	
45		141		Larboard boat	
38		179		Bow boat	
				missed by larboard boatstr	
100		279	1950	Bow boat	
	106		134	Larboard boat	
	145		279	Waist boat	
				Late in the day	
65		344		Three whales. W.L. & B. boats	
45		389		Bow boat	
80		359		Waist boat	
55		414	1250	Bow boat	
60		449		Mated with ship Niger	
[sketch of arrow]					
112		561		Waist Boat	
50		611		Larboard boat	
				Did not lower the boats	
				" " " " "	
98		709		Larboard boat	

Date of raising

Right	Sperm	By whom raised	How first seen	Lat	Long
1888	Ap 8	Christian McCoy	Spouting	36°-13' S	178°- 44' W
	June 24	A Lawrence	"	25°-40'	176°- 33'
	" 25	W H Cook	"	25°-50'	176°- 33
	July 6	Albine Roderigue	"	26°-00	177°- 23'
	" 12	W H Cook	"	25°-28'	177°- 28'
	" 31	Jack Smoke	"	25°-13'	177°- 35'
	Aug 14	Joe King	White water	26°-18'	177°- 00 E
	Sept 21	Manuel Silva	Spouting	29°-20'	172° E
	" 27	Albino Roderigue	"	29°-55	174°-40 E
Oct. 5		John Pena	"	33°-40'	174°-40 W
" 25				25°-18'	169°- 10'
" 27		A Lawrence	"	35°-28'	169° 00
" "			"	" "	" "
" 29			"	35°-25'	169°-08
" "			"	" "	" "
" 30		A. Lawrence	"	35°-33'	168°-51'
" "		Manuel Silva	"	" "	" "
Nov 3		M Viera	"	35°-42'	168°-32'
"		ALbino Roderigue	"	"	"
" 9			"	35°-00'	169°-00'
" 12		Albino Roderigue	"	36°-00'	167°-10'
" 15		John Pena	"	35°-58'	167°-13
" 18		Mr Viera	"	35°-25'	167°-19
"			"	"	"
" 20		John Pena	Breaching	36°-10'	167°-20'
" 21			Spouting	36°-10'	167°-48'
" "		All hands		"	"
1889					
	Jan. 13	Ship Niger	Spouting	38°-04'	179°-21'W
	" 22	Albino Roderigue	"	36°-45'	178°-48'W
	" 29	" "	"	37°-10'	179°-40'W
	June 22	Joe King	"	2°-00N	84°-00 W

Total number of times seeing Sperm
whales 34. 29 Lowerings

Total number of times seeing Right
whales 38

bbls oil		total		Bone lbs	General remarks
R	S	R	S		
125			834		Larboard boat
28			862		Larboard boat
		52	914		Bow Boat
		100	1014		L & W boats
		17			
		170	1201		L and B boats
		70	1271		L B & S B
		30	1301		B B
80					L B
80					L B
75					W B
82					L B
83			3550		L B
		814			
	115				W B
	110		1526		La Bo
	30		1556		W. B.

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June 1 shot towline bow boat big tub
" roping for Spanker 2 1/2 in M rope

June 29 Cross Jack brace 2 1/4 in. rope
July 30 1 shot towline B B small tub